



## Student Dress Code

Every student at Harkaway Hills College is privileged to be in an environment that encourages them to be the best person he or she can be. Personal presentation and care for one's property are important habits for the students to acquire at an early age. As part of the virtues program, students are encouraged to be responsible for their items of uniform, to present themselves in a respectful way to others, and to work towards constant improvement in human tone.

When wearing their school uniform both within and outside school, all students are ambassadors for Harkaway Hills College and its ethos. It is important therefore that all students have the correct items of clothing every day, and they wear these items with pride. A checklist of uniform items is available in the Parent Handbook.

### Uniform Policy for Boys:

Boys at Harkaway Hills College are to follow the guidelines below:

- Full summer uniform is to be worn in Terms 1 and 4, and full winter uniform is to be worn in Terms 2 and 3.
- School blazer is to be worn to and from school every day in Terms 2 and 3 **from Year 2** onwards. The blazer is optional for Foundation and Year 1.
- Students must wear the complete school sports uniform on sports days.
- Sports hat is to be worn at recess, lunch and during outdoor activities.
- Ties should be well knotted and tied at approximately belt level.
- Top buttons done up.
- Shirts should be tucked in.
- Shirts should be ironed.
- Shoes are to be polished.
- Hair styles can be as desired by the individual boy or family so long as the style does not draw undue attention and is neat and moderate.
- Jewellery is to be minimal. Earrings are not to be worn by any male students. The following items are allowed:
  - A simple chain with a crucifix or religious medal worn beneath clothing.
  - A basic metallic or black watch

## **Uniform Policy for Girls:**

- Full summer uniform is to be worn in Terms 1 and 4, and full winter uniform is to be worn in Terms 2 and 3.
- School blazer is to be worn to and from school every day in Terms 2 and 3 from Year 2 onwards. The blazer is optional for Foundation and Year 1.
- Students must wear the complete school sports uniform on sports days.
- Sports hat is to be worn at recess, lunch and during outdoor activities.
- School hat is to be worn to and from school every day.
- Dress hems must fall at least 5cm below the knee.
- Stockings are to be worn in winter. No tears in stockings.
- Shoes are to be polished.
- Pinafores and blouses should be ironed.
- Hair can only be worn out if it is a 'bob' cut (i.e. comes up to the base of the neck) or shorter. Longer hair is to be pulled back and tied with hair elastics or ribbons in the approved colours (black, navy blue, and red). No hair colouring is allowed.
- Jewellery is to be minimal. The following items are allowed:
  - One simple set of earrings (multiple piercings are not permitted)
  - A simple chain with a crucifix or religious medal worn beneath clothing.
  - A basic metallic or black watch

## **Consequences for incorrect uniform**

Students from Year 1 up will have weekly uniform checks at school. Spot checks will also be done throughout the term. If a student breaches the uniform policy three times, a note will be placed in the Student Diary. Consistent uniform breaches throughout the year will be followed up by the Principal.

Prep students will also have uniform spot checks but will not have consequences for incorrect uniform as they are still learning good habits in the early part of the year.

Students who wear the uniform consistently well will be recognised and presented with awards.

## **Conclusion**

This uniform policy is intended to assist students care for their belongings and their personal tone.

Through positive reinforcement, the students who wear their uniform well will be acknowledged and encouraged. We ask for cooperation from parents regarding this policy as we help your children develop good habits at an early age.