RATIONALITY:
It is felt that the wearing of school uniform:
- Promotes school spirit
- Fosters cohesiveness
- Establishes the identity of the school within the broader community
- Provides an eventual cost saving for parents
- Assists students to learn the important life skill of compliance to community expectations

GENERAL STATEMENT:
The School Council of Cranbourne West Primary School has determined that the wearing of school uniform is compulsory. This policy sets out Cranbourne West Primary School Council’s expectations with regard to student appearance, and applies during school hours and when students are engaged in school activities out of school hours.

IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES:
1. A uniform shop will operate on a regular basis to sell new uniforms. Financial assistance is available to those families in genuine need.
2. Clothing in the school colors of navy blue and gold may also be purchased from other retail outlets i.e. Kmart, Big W.
3. Jumpers and other school uniform items may be available from the second hand cupboard. A gold coin donation is requested for items of second hand clothing.
4. Leggings are considered to be an undergarment. They may however be worn under an official school dress, skirt or shorts.
5. Jackets can be worn in addition to the standard windcheater/bomber jacket, not as an alternative.
6. Students who do not have a school jumper will be offered a replacement from the second hand uniform cupboard. Where a second hand jumper is available, the student will be expected to wear this rather than be out of uniform.
7. Uniform items that may be removed at school such as jumpers and hats should be labelled with the student’s name. Labelled lost property may be returned to the student. Unlabelled lost property is kept in the front office for one week, after which it is washed and placed in the second hand uniform cupboard.
8. New students may wear their previous school’s uniform until it needs to be replaced. If these students do not have a uniform from their previous school, parents will be asked to acquire the Cranbourne West uniform as soon as possible.
9. Personal appearance should not include hair styles which are inappropriate for school, such as: mohawks, outrageously coloured hair e.g. pink, green, orange, etc. For health reasons long hair should be tied back. No makeup is to be worn to school.
10. Excessive jewellery including obvious body piercing is not permitted and only studs or sleepers are to be worn as earrings.
11. Students who do not wear school uniform, or who consistently wear unsuitable items will be given an infringement notice to take home asking parents to support the policy. If a student is non-compliant with the School Uniform Policy, after the notice has gone home, the process followed will be as outlined in the school student code of conduct.
12. The school colours are navy and gold. Details of the uniform are listed in the school information booklet.
13. Students are expected to be sun smart and wear a school hat when playing. The wearing of school hats in Terms 1 and 4 is compulsory for all outdoor activities.

EXEMPTIONS FROM POLICY

1. If a child is out of uniform for one day without an explanation letter from parents, the child is placed in a time out area.
2. If a child is out of uniform for a genuine reason i.e. waiting for a uniform order, a letter from the parent must be provided to the Student Welfare Co-ordinator.
3. A uniform pass will be issued at the discretion of the Student Welfare Co-ordinator and/or School Principal.

A decision on any application for an exemption and the reasons for the decision will be kept.

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Families who may have difficulty meeting the cost of uniform items are encouraged to discuss support options with the Principal, Community Liaison Officer and/or the Student Welfare Co-ordinator.

EVALUATION:

Success of the policy will be determined by parental support, and by the pride students take in being part of Cranbourne West, especially on excursions and other occasions when they may be representing the school.

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three year review cycle.
SUMMER UNIFORM:

**Girls**
- Navy & White Dress
- (Sports Briefs optional)
- Navy Culottes or shorts
- Navy Netball Skirt (of suitable length)
- Navy or Gold T-Shirt
- Navy or Gold Polo-Shirt

**Boys**
- Navy Shorts
- Navy or Gold T-shirt
- Navy or Gold Polo-Shirt

**Girls and Boys**
- White socks.
- Navy/Gold Slouch Hat or Legionnaires Hat.

WINTER UNIFORM:

**Girls**
- Navy track suit pants/Bootleg pants
- Navy or Gold skivvy, t-shirt or polo-shirt (long or short sleeve)
- Navy bomber jacket
- Navy windcheater
- White, black or navy socks
- Navy/Gold winter beanie
- Girls also have a choice of a Navy skirt with navy tights.

**Boys**
- Navy track pants/Bootleg pants or netball skirt (of suitable length)
- White, black or navy socks
- School hat Navy/gold.

**Year 6**
- As above plus options of:
  - Special Year 6 windcheater, bomber jacket, t-shirt or polo-shirt
  - (these being in navy and gold with the year 6 logo on)
  - NB. Windcheaters without Year 6 logo are not permitted.
  - Navy trackpants/Bootleg pants, shorts or netball skirt (of suitable length)
  - White, black or navy socks

**SHOES (Summer and Winter)**
- Black leather pull-on boots
- Black lace-up shoes.
- Black T-Bar shoes
- Runners
- NO THONGS, OPENED TOED SANDALS, PLASTIC SANDALS OR PARTY SHOES.
- If there is a logo on clothing it is to be NO larger than a Credit Card.
- No Denim/ No boxer shorts to be visible under dresses or skirts
Dear ………………………………..

Your child was out of uniform today.

As we have a compulsory School Uniform Policy, the next time your child is out of uniform he/she will be placed into Time Out.

☐ hat

☐ jumper/shirt/top

☐ Pants

Reason for Issue

Parent Acknowledgement.
Please sign and return to school.

I have read the School Uniform Infringement notice and I have spoken to my child/children about the School Uniform Policy. We understand that if this continues it becomes a Time Out offence.

Signature…………………………………………………. Date…………………

If you wish to discuss this matter further please contact

   Colin Wagg,
   Student Welfare Co-ordinator
   Cranbourne West Primary School.