**Uniform/Dress**

At Cust School we have introduced a compulsory uniform. This will enhance the sense of school community, an important ingredient in creating an effective learning environment.

Students are expected and encouraged to take pride in their uniform and general appearance. If a parent has philosophical objections to their child wearing the uniform options available, they are free to apply to the board of trustees for a dispensation. Financial advice and support is available from the principal to parents who have concerns about clothing costs.

The uniform is available from The Warehouse.

The PTA has some second hand uniform items for sale.

No jewellery is permitted except for wristwatches, a plain stud or keeper in each pierced ear. No rings are allowed. No students may wear make-up, coloured nail polish, or stick-on tattoos.

Hair must be clean and tidy, and kept off the face.

If a student has a legitimate reason for not wearing part of the uniform, parents are asked to supply a note stating the reason and the estimated time frame of the breach.

If a student breaches our dress code without such a note, we take the following steps:

1. The student is asked by the teacher to explain the breach.
2. After a second breach, we send a letter home reminding parents of their obligations regarding the uniform.
3. After a third breach, the principal is notified and parents are invited by phone to attend an interview to discuss uniform requirements.
4. After further breaches, we invoke our formal discipline plan.

**Uniform**

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| **Boys (summer and winter)** |
| Plain red polar fleece vest or jersey |
| Plain navy shorts (knit or cotton drill/cargo) |
| Plain navy track pants |
| Red polo shirt (short or long sleeved) |
| Red skivvy |
| *All polar fleece items must have the logo on them.* *(The logo is available form Kaiapoi Monograms). The logo is optional for skivvies and polo shirts.* |
| Practical, flat-soled shoes/boots, or sandals in terms 1 and 4 |
| Blue or white sports socks |
| Navy full brimmed sun hat or bucket style sunhat in terms 1 and 4 |
| Sports: navy shorts and red polo shirt (preferably with Cust School monogram) and optional navy and red sports jacket (available from Mainland Uniforms). |
| **Girls (summer and winter)** |
| As above, plus: |
| Plain navy culottes or blue gingham culottes (only available from Mainland Uniforms) |
| Navy shorts (cargo shorts okay) |
| Blue gingham dress with white collar and zip front (only available from MainlandUniforms) |
| *Note: our blue gingham has a red stripe to match other parts of the uniform.* |
| Navy tights |

All uniform items must be clearly named. The manner in which the uniform is worn is subject to school enforcement.

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