DRESS CODE
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RATIONALE
Catholic schools are called to develop a sense of community where all people are treated equally regardless of financial circumstances. A consistent uniform worn by all students and kept to a minimal cost, helps students feel part of the community and enables them to show pride and respect towards their school. A high standard of dress and grooming is essential to reflect the personal standards required of students and staff at St Francis Xavier Primary School.

DEFINITION
“Dress Code” encompasses all staff and students attending St Francis Xavier. The term ‘school uniform’ refers to the dress requirements of students, as well as jewellery, accessories, hair and make-up. The ‘Uniform Committee’ is made up of parents and staff and is set up as deemed necessary to update the design of the uniform.

PRINCIPLES
1. St Francis Xavier Primary School will design and update a school uniform through a consultative process that involves a uniform committee from time to time.
2. St Francis Xavier Primary School uniform is to be of economical cost and minimal changes made, so that it is affordable to all families.
3. St Francis Xavier Primary School uniform design is to be practical and appropriate for wear during a variety of educational activities. Safety considerations are to be taken into account when considering the design and colour.
4. For students, when not in uniform at school or school events, and for staff, at all times appropriate standards are to be adhered to.

PROCEDURES
1. The School Uniform Policy is given out to parents when they enrol in the school and sent out at the beginning of the year so that all parents are continually informed about what is required.
2. Students are required to wear the full uniform as outlined in the policy each day. The uniform is to be worn and kept neat and clean.
3. The uniform consists of a standard full uniform and a separate sports uniform. The sports uniform is only to be worn by students on days that they participate in sport or Physical Education lessons.
4. During term 4 the Year 6 students are able to wear their leavers shirts as part of their sports uniform.
5. Staff members will check students’ uniforms each day to make sure students are wearing the correct uniform in a neat and tidy manner.
6. If students are unable to wear the correct uniform, or any part of it, they require a note from parents explaining the reasons why.
7. Students who are wearing the incorrect uniform, or any part of it, will be issued with a uniform note from their class teacher outlining what is incorrect.
8. Dress Code for staff is included in the “Staff Information File”

REQUIREMENTS

**Summer Uniform:**

**Boys:**
- Shorts: Grey shorts – long leg prestatle
- Shirt: Grey shirt with embroidered logo. The shirt can be worn out.
- Socks: Short grey with school stripes.

**Girls:**
- Dress: Green/white checked school dress with concealed zip front
- Socks: Plain white sock with black & green stripe to be worn above the ankle

**Boys and Girls:**
- Shoes: Black leather shoes: no Mary Jane styles.
- Brown buckled sandal
- Hat: Adjustable wide brim hat with embroidered school crest
REQUIREMENTS

**Summer Uniform:**

**Boys:** The summer uniform can be worn with the addition or option of the following:
- Trousers: Long grey trousers.
- Jumper: Green knit jumper with school crest.

**Girls:** The summer uniform can be worn with the addition of the following:
- Jumper: Green knit jumper with school crest.
- Tights: Bottle green tights.

**Sports Uniform:**

**Summer**
- Shirt: Gold sports polo shirt with striped collar/cuff and embroidered crest, worn out.
- Shorts: Black microfiber sports shorts with gold and green stripe to left leg.
- Socks: White sports socks with black and green stripes.
- Shoes: All black leather sports shoe.

**Winter**
The summer uniform is worn with the addition or option of the following:
- Jacket: Black microfiber jacket with gold trim and embroidered crest.
- Track Pants: Black microfiber track pants with crest.

**Jewellery**
Due to safety reasons the following is the only jewellery permitted to be worn by students:

**Girls:**
- One pair of stud or sleeper earrings to be worn in the lobe of each ear.
- One watch.
- One signet ring.
- A chain with a crucifix is the only type of necklace allowed and must be concealed beneath the uniform.

**Boys:**
- One watch
- A chain with a crucifix is the only type of necklace allowed and must be concealed beneath the uniform.
- Note: Due to safety reasons no earrings are to be worn.

**Hair**
Students are to present themselves well groomed at all times. This shows pride in their own appearance and in their school uniform. Therefore:
REQUIREMENTS

Haircut:
Extreme hair styles are not permitted. These include: Mohawks, rat tails, Shaved or number 1 cuts, and colouring of hair. Hair is to be brushed or combed neatly when attending school.

For safety reasons and to minimise the spread of head lice:
Hair below collar length must be tied back at all times.
Hair that falls across the face or eyes must be tied or clipped back at all times.

Hair Accessories
The only hair accessories permitted to be worn in the hair are:
Scrunchies, elastic hair ties, small hair clips, hair bands and short ribbons.
All hair accessories are to be in the school colours of:
Black or Gold with Sports Uniform
Black or Green with school uniform.

Make – Up
Make – Up, including nail polish is not permitted