Dungog High School Uniform Policy

Rationale for Uniform

We believe that wearing of school uniform fosters pride in our school, assists in the development and maintenance of tone and good conduct and reduces to a minimum undesirable distinctions between children in our school. It also promotes a positive image for our school that helps ex-students seeking employment.

The Dungog High School community also believes that by providing identification, our school uniform helps to increase security for our children at school and travelling to and from school.

DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM

BOYS

- **Yellow** buttoned shirt with school logo (collared) or yellow polo shirt
- Plain white/yellow undershirt
- Plain grey shorts (mid thigh to knee length) or pants
- Maroon Jumper or polar fleece from Uniform Shop
- School Track suit top
- Shoes - see Policy below
- White/black/school sports socks

GIRLS

- **Yellow** buttoned shirt with school logo (collared) or yellow polo shirt
- Plain white/yellow undershirt
- School tartan skirt, Grey shorts, (mid thigh to knee length) or trousers
- Maroon jumper or polar fleece from Uniform Shop
- School Track suit top
- Shoes - see Policy below
- White/black/school sports socks or black stockings

Sports/PE Uniform

- School sports shirt
- Maroon shorts with yellow stripe
- Maroon tracksuit pants

BOYS

- **White** shirt with school logo (collared)
- Plain White undershirt
- Plain grey school shorts (mid thigh to knee length) or trousers
- Maroon jumper or polar fleece from Uniform Shop
- School Track suit top
- Shoes - see Policy below
- White/black/school sports socks
- Maroon blazer

GIRLS

- **White** shirt with school logo (collared) with maroon piping from Uniform Shop
- Plain white undershirt
- School tartan skirt, Grey shorts, (mid thigh to knee length) or trousers
- Maroon jumper or polar fleece from Uniform Shop
- School Track suit top
- Shoes - see Policy below
- White/black/school sports socks or black stockings
- Maroon blazer

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- School sports shirt
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Footwear

When purchasing school shoes parents are asked to be mindful of NSW Department of Education and Training, Occupational Health & Safety requirements regarding footwear. This requirement states that all students involved in practical activities in subject areas including Creative Arts, Industrial Arts, Home Economics, and Science must wear: “shoes with fully enclosed firm leather uppers, including the tongue, and a stout non-slip sole”.

The greatest number of injuries to students occurs due to “slips, trips and falls”. In 2014, we will focus upon the wearing of safe, sturdy shoes which meet WHS requirements in specialist rooms including kitchens, science labs and workshops. Additionally for the safety of students in the playground and at sport the following footwear requirements will apply to ALL students.

Students who present themselves to classes without the correct footwear will not be permitted to participate in practical activities and will be confined to the Quad during breaks.
Acceptable School Shoes:
- School shoes must be made of a sturdy material (leather) and offer adequate support to the foot. (No canvas type, ballet type, skate or boat shoes).
- The shoe must cover the entire upper section of the foot to protect against falling objects or spilt liquids.
- The shoe must be completely black (including the sole and laces) with limited brandings or logos.

Examples of suitable shoes

Examples of unsuitable shoes

Acceptable Sport Shoes
- On Sport Days and PDHPE lessons, students will be permitted to continue to wear appropriate, closed supportive sport shoes / runners.

Unacceptable Items
No coloured undershirts
No visible underwear/waistbands
Shorts less than mid thigh length (WHS)
Jumpers with sporting club logos.

PURCHASING UNIFORM
The uniform will be available through the school uniform shop. The shop will be open Tuesdays, from 8.00am till 4.00pm during alternate school weeks. In peak times the shop will be open more frequently.

All students have been made aware that:

- “Adhering to the requirements of the school’s uniform code” is part of the NSW Department of education and Training Core Rules.
- Any student who is regularly out of uniform may be excluded from future extra-curricular activities such as excursions and socials. They may also be limited to sport played at school.
- Please note that students consistently out of uniform without reasonable cause will not be eligible for a school reference.
We recognise that occasionally it is difficult for students to be in uniform; **on these occasions students need to bring a note from parents/guardians outlining any problems** to their DEAR teacher.

**Notes will not be accepted for long term out of uniform.** If there are reasons for long term out of uniform, then the Deputy Principal should be contacted.

**Name Tags** As there are over 600 students in the school who will be wearing similar clothes, especially school jumpers, it is necessary for **all** your child's clothes to be labelled with either printed tags or washable pen.

**Jewellery** Please keep jewellery to a minimum - no item that can cause damage to wearer or other students. Stud earrings or sleepers are safer than pendants which have led to torn earlobes. During PE lessons no jewellery is allowed, except stud or sleeper earrings.

**Sunsafe** Considering the Australian climate a sensible hat is an optional item of uniform and is encouraged. Any hat worn should be plain and inexpensive as they are easily lost at school. Sunscreen is also available at school for the students’ use during sport and PE. If your child has sensitive skin it would be wise for them to bring their own sunscreen to school.

**Please label all clothing and personal items with the student’s name.**