St Francis de Sales
COLLEGE

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VISION STATEMENT

We nurture in our endeavours God's gifts of holy friendship, a passion for learning and celebration of personal excellence. "Be who you are and be that well."

OUR MISSION

St Francis de Sales College is a learning community that works together to build an environment in which faith is nurtured in a Catholic Christian tradition. It does this by recognising individuals' skills and talents while appreciating and accepting their uniqueness.

The College is committed to promoting community and personal fulfilment through life enhancing relationships.

St Francis de Sales, as patron, symbolised the high hopes that are held for every St Francis de Sales student so that, inspired and guided by his example, each child may:

- promote a culture of life through courage in responding to the challenges that life brings
- foster the engagement of faith and reason
- develop a love of learning and independent thinking
- value and respect individuals, irrespective of position, wealth, racial origin or religious beliefs
- become a socially responsible contributor in the community and to society
- acquire virtue and wisdom and respond generously to others throughout life.

RATIONALE

The College uniform is a vital part of the identity and culture of St Francis de Sales College. There is an expectation that students take pride and distinction in wearing the uniform and that the correct uniform is worn at all times.

The College uniform is to be worn in its complete and approved form:

- when students are travelling to and from the College
- when attending each class
- to all official College functions, e.g. Award Ceremonies
- at other times, as directed by the Principal.

Parents are expected to support the College Uniform Policy and other School Policies as agreed on the enrolment form. Please ensure that your child (children) has the required uniform, it is maintained in good condition, is clean and well pressed, and that it is worn neatly and correctly. The uniform is ratified by the College Board and enforced by the Principal, Community Leaders, College Leadership and staff. Agreement to adhere to the College Uniform Policy is a condition of enrolment.

GENERAL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to present themselves in the approved College uniform in a neat, smart and well-groomed manner. Only the Principal or Principal's delegate may sanction the departure from these requirements.

The **summer uniform** is to be worn in Terms 1 and 4. The **winter uniform** is to be worn in Terms 2 and 3.

Uniform items are manufactured by Devon and may be purchased directly from Devon, from the St Francis de Sales College Uniform Shop operating in the Showroom at the Pavilion, 2 Hampden Road, Mount Barker, or at the second-hand uniform sales held at the College.

The following information provides general guidelines for the wearing of the College uniform. Full uniform requirements are available by referring to the College Uniform Requirements on the College website, Parent Handbook and Student Diary.

College blazer

Students in Year 7 to 12 must wear the College blazer to and from the College, and wear to home-room during Terms 2 and 3, and if required during Terms 1 and 4. The blazer must also be worn for all formal occasions, including assemblies and excursions. The College jumper must not be worn to and from the College as the outer garment at any time. The jumper may only be worn as an outer garment once inside the College grounds.

Uniform length

The length of the winter skirt must be worn at or below knee length. The length of the summer dress must be worn at or below knee length.

Shoes

Black leather shoes, lace-up or Velcro (R-2), must be clean and polished. Canvas or sport shoes are not permitted when wearing the formal uniform.

Hat

The College broad-brimmed or bucket hat is part of the official College uniform. Other hats designed for special events e.g. camps/trips are only to be worn at designated times. Hats are to be worn outdoors at all times during Term 1 and Term 4.

Sports uniform

The sports uniform is only to be worn on the days designated as sports days and during Physical Education or sports lessons. White crew socks and sports sneakers which provide adequate support are to be worn as part of the sports uniform. This excludes flat canvas shoes (eg. Dunlop Volleys) and high cut gym boots.

Hair

In order to keep hair neat and tidy:

- hair is to be well-groomed and kept away from the face at all times.
- hair is to be tied back if collar-length or longer.
- hair ribbons and head bands are to be in College colours of navy blue, bottle green or gold.
- hair ties are to be either brown, black or clear.
- hair style and colour should be appropriate for school and designed not to attract attention.

Students should be clean shaven at all times.

Jewellery

Jewellery is not permitted to be worn with the College uniform. The only concessions are:

- a watch.
- a pair of small, plain gold, silver or pearl stud or sleeper earrings (one in the lower lobe of each ear).
- a thin chain necklace, either plain or with a small cross or sacred medal.

Make up and nail polish

Make up is not permitted at the College. Nails are to be kept short for hygiene and safety reasons. Nail polish is not to be worn to school. Natural skin tone foundation may be worn.

School bag

The only approved school bag which students may use is the official green St Francis de Sales College backpack. These are available in two styles and varying sizes.

Identification

It is expected that all uniform articles should be clearly marked with the owner's name.

MONITOR AND REVIEW

This document will be reviewed within two years of the date of issue. Changes to the College uniform, in legislation or Catholic Church Policy may necessitate earlier review and subsequent amendment or re-issue.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Personal Responsibility Policy
Skin Protection Policy

APPENDIX A: COLLEGE UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

College Uniform

Terms 1 and 4 — full summer uniform
Terms 2 and 3 — full winter uniform

Girls

Summer

- College blazer (7-12) all formal occasions and when the weather requires a warmer garment to and from the College, regardless of method of transport, in Term 1 and Term 4. The jumper may only be worn as the outer garment once inside the College grounds. The blazer is to be worn to home-room.
- College checked dress (knee length or below).
- College bottle green V-necked jumper (R-9), navy jumper (10-12).
- St Francis de Sales College mid white calf socks.
- Plain black lace up school shoes (not canvas style, R-2 velcro shoes allowed).
- Brown Roman style sandals (R-2).
- College bucket hat (to be worn to and from school in Term 1 and Term 4, recess, lunch, PE lessons and outdoor activities).

Winter

- College blazer (7-12) for formal occasions, including assemblies and excursions. The blazer is to be worn to and from the College, regardless of method of transport, in Term 2 and Term 3.The jumper may only be worn as the outer garment once inside the College grounds. The blazer is to be worn to home-room.
- College skirt (to be worn at or just below the knee) or Pinafore (optional, R-6).
- College Lemon long sleeved shirt.
- College tie (7-12).
- College bottle green V-necked jumper (R-9), navy jumper (10-12).
- College blue knee high socks or navy blue tights.
- Plain black lace up school shoes (not canvas style, R-2 velcro shoes allowed).
- College blue jacket (R-6 only).
- College trousers.

Boys

Summer

- College blazer (7-12) all formal occasions and when the weather requires a warmer garment to and from the College, regardless of method of transport, in Term 1 and Term 4. The jumper may only be worn as the outer garment once inside the College grounds. The blazer is to be worn to home-room.
- Charcoal shorts, either full or half elastic back or charcoal trousers.
- Green/white short sleeved shirt.
- College bottle green V-necked jumper (R-9), or senior navy jumper (10-12).
- Plain charcoal socks.
- Plain black lace up school shoes (not canvas style, R-2 velcro shoes allowed).
- Brown Roman style sandals (R-2).
- College hat (to be worn to and from school in Term 1 and Term 4, recess, lunch and PE lessons).

Winter

- College blazer (7-12) for formal functions, including assemblies and excursions. The blazer is to be worn to and from the College, regardless of method of transport, in Term 2 and Term 3.The jumper may only be worn as the outer garment once inside the College grounds. The blazer is to be worn to home-room.
- Charcoal grey trousers.
- College green/white long sleeved striped shirt.
- College tie (7-12).
- College bottle green V-necked jumper (R-9), or senior navy jumper (10-12).
- College blue winter jacket (R-6).
- Plain charcoal socks.
- Plain black lace up school shoes (not canvas style, R-2 velcro shoes allowed).

Sports Uniform

- College sports jumper (R-6), Jacket (7-12).
- College track pants or St Francis de Sales College navy blue College shorts/skorts.
- College forest green polo shirt (including representing the College) or House polo shirt.
- White quarter crew socks.
- Sports shoes such as cross trainers which provide adequate support. This excludes flat canvas shoes (e.g. Dunlop Volleys) and high cut gym boots.
- College blue winter jacket may be worn with sports uniform.

General

- College scarf.
- St Francis de Sales College broad brim or bucket hat.
- St Francis de Sales College green back pack, available in two styles and varying sizes.
- Jewellery is not permitted with the College uniform. The only concessions are:
    - a pair of small, plain gold or silver stud or sleeper earring or small pearl studs, one in the lower lobe of each ear.
    - a thin chain necklace either plain or with a small cross or sacred medal
    - watch.

General Grooming

- Hair needs to be kept away from the face at all times.
- Hair ribbons and ties are to be in College colours only (navy blue, bottle green, gold).
- No visible tattoos.
- Make up is not to be worn with the College uniform.
- Nail polish is not to be worn, including French nails.
- Shirts are to be tucked in for winter (Terms 2 and 3).
- Long hair (collar length or longer) needs to be tied back and off the face.
- Hair style and colour needs to be appropriate for school and should not be designed to attract attention.
- Boys should be clean shaven.

As a member of our College community, students are expected to wear the College uniform at all times with pride.