



# *Samuel Gilbert Public School*

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

Samuel Gilbert Public School is proud of its image in the community and our distinctive and attractive uniform forms part of the school's identity and spirit. The school colours are lemon and navy.

By wearing a school uniform students develop a sense of belonging to the school as uniforms promote a sense of inclusiveness, non discrimination and equal opportunity. A uniform improves the health and safety of students and personal safety is enhanced by allowing easier recognition of students in and out of school. Uniforms are also practical and economic clothing.

The school uniform was developed following consultation with the school community. The school uniform policy is strongly supported and endorsed by the Parent and Citizens Association.

Students are expected to wear the uniform during school hours, on excursions, and during school functions unless advised by the teachers. Parents, students and teachers all have a role to play in encouraging a neat and tidy uniform and appearance.

The school will encourage the wearing of the uniform through positive reinforcement. The strategies may include acknowledgement of students, making reference to the uniform when promoting the school and involving the SRC in discussing and promoting the school uniform.

Despite these strategies some students may not wear the school uniform. To encourage these students the school may speak to the student and or discuss the matter with their parents.

Sometimes students cannot wear the school uniform. Parents should provide a verbal or written explanation and contact the teacher if the situation is ongoing. The principal should be contacted if the nature of the situation involves hardship, health conditions, cultural / religious reasons or a principled objection.

On days where the school uniform cannot be worn, students should try to wear plain items in the school colours.

Support is available for families needing assistance to obtain a school uniform. The school also has an inexpensive clothing pool with good quality second hand items.

This policy has been based on the NSW Department of Education and Training uniform policy which can be found on the DET website. This policy will be reviewed on a regular basis (as per DET requirements) or if circumstances change significantly.

### ***The Uniform***

The school has completed a review of the school uniform in 2007 and the next 2-3 years will involve a transition from the old to the new uniform. From 2010 all students will be expected to wear the new uniform.

Students have two uniforms, an everyday and a sports uniform. Sports uniforms are worn for sport and on other occasions as designated by the school. The everyday uniform is worn at all other times unless advised by the school. Students are not to wear a combination of the everyday and sports uniform.

In general the summer uniform is worn in Terms 1 and 4, while the winter uniform is worn in Terms 2 and 3. With variable weather patterns, however a phasing in period will occur where students can wear either the summer and winter uniform in the 3 weeks either side of the Term 1 and Term 3 school holidays.

It is expected that the uniform be neat, clean and well maintained. Please clearly label all clothing and personal belongings with the student's name. Lost items with names can be returned.

The uniform description refers to plain items. That is they have no frills, stripes, large logos, excessive pockets and do not incorporate other colours.

The uniform can be purchased at the School Uniform Shop and Hills Apparel. Hats and sunglasses can also be purchased at the School Canteen.

## **ALL YEAR UNIFORM**

*Library bag* A large cloth bag for carrying library books is required.

A library bag is available at the uniform shop.

*Shoes* School shoes must be all black and be fully enclosed.

Parents can purchase school shoes for the everyday uniform and joggers for sport uniform. Parents may prefer however the more economic option of just one quality pair of plain black joggers.

Sandals, slip on shoes and shoes with thick heels are unsuitable. They may pose a safety risk and are not to be worn.

*School bag* Students are required to provide a durable bag to contain the day's books, equipment and lunch. Back packs are designed to prevent postural damage and are recommended.

School bags are available at the uniform shop.

## **SUMMER UNIFORM**

### **Unisex**

*Hat* Wide brim plain navy blue surf hat with school logo.

Hats with a neck strap are not recommended because they pose a safety risk. The school has a no hat no play policy.

*Sunglasses* Sunglasses are encouraged for outdoor wear and can be purchased from the Uniform Shop.

## Boys

*Shirt* \* Short sleeve lemon polo shirt with navy and white trim \* See over  
*Shorts* Plain navy gabardine shorts (not sport shorts)  
*Socks* Plain navy above ankle socks

## Girls

### Option 1

*Dress* A navy, lemon and white checked princess line dress  
*Socks* Plain lemon above ankle socks

### Option 2

*Shorts* Plain navy straight leg wide waist gabardine dress shorts (not sport shorts)  
*Blouse* Short sleeve plain lemon blouse with navy piping  
OR  
Short sleeve lemon polo shirt with navy and white trim  
*Socks* Lemon above ankle socks

## WINTER UNIFORM

### Unisex

*Jacket* Plain navy fleecy zipper jacket with logo  
*Jumper* Plain navy woollen V neck jumper with logo

## Boys

### Option 1

*Shirt* Long or short sleeve lemon polo shirt with navy and white trim  
*Trousers* # Plain navy gabardine trousers (not tracksuit pants) # See over  
*Socks* Plain navy above ankle socks

### Option 2

*Shirt* Long or short sleeve lemon polo shirt with navy and white trim  
*Shorts* Plain navy gabardine shorts (not sport shorts)  
*Socks* Plain navy above ankle socks

## Girls

### Option 1

*Skirt* Skirt – two tone, blue check with fine yellow stripe  
*Blouse* Long or short sleeve lemon over blouse with navy piping  
*Socks* Plain lemon above ankle socks  
*Tights* Navy stockings or tights (not to be worn with socks or summer uniform)

### Option 2

*Pants* # Plain navy straight leg wide waist gabardine dress pants # See over  
*Blouse* Long or short sleeve lemon over blouse with navy piping  
OR

*Socks* Long or short sleeve lemon polo shirt \* with navy and white trim \* See over  
Plain lemon above ankle socks

### **Additional clothing for winter**

Students wishing to wear additional clothing in winter for warmth should wear clothes that are plain and in school colours. Items worn under shirts should be lemon/ white and should not be seen below the shirt line. Items over the uniform should be in keeping with school colours.

Scarves and gloves are optional but should be colours in keeping with school uniform policy.

The uniform shop also provides an optional navy fleece lined spray jacket.

## **SPORT UNIFORM**

### **Unisex**

*Shoes* Either plain white or black fully enclosed joggers  
*Socks* Plain white above ankle socks  
*Tracksuit* Navy, yellow and white microfibre tracksuit with logo and school name

### **Boys**

*shorts* Micromesh navy shorts with lemon SGPS  
*Shirt* Yellow and navy micromesh polo shirt

### **Girls**

#### **Option 1**

*shorts* Micromesh navy shorts with lemon SGPS  
*shirt* Yellow and navy micromesh polo shirt

#### **Option 2**

*skort* Micromesh navy skorts with lemon SGPS  
*shirt* Yellow and navy micromesh polo shirt

\* Everyday polo shirts can be worn out. However there is an expectation that they will be tucked in for school photos and when representing the school.

# Trousers and pants do not include jeans, cords, cargo pants, leggings, jazz pants and jodhpurs.

**The sports uniform is to be worn on grade sport days and for Gymnastics or on any other days specified by the school.**

## **HAIR**

Hair should be neat and tidy and natural in colour. Hair restraints should be discreet and in school colours. Hair should be off the face and if long enough pulled back to reduce any chance of hair lice transmission.

**JEWELLERY**

The wearing of jewellery is not encouraged. Medical alert bracelets, items of religious significance, small studs or sleepers and a wrist watch are permitted. No necklaces. Jewellery can pose a safety risk.

**MAKEUP**

Makeup is not appropriate for school and is not to be worn. No nail polish is to be worn.

**GRADUATION SHIRTS**

Graduation shirts are available for Year 6 students. They are worn on one day per week as specified by the teachers.

**SPORTING TEAMS**

Students representing the school in sport should wear the appropriate uniform which in general is the sport uniform. Please check the uniform required for the team with the sport coordinator.

**BAND**

Appropriate items of uniform for band performances will be clearly outlined in each permission note.

**CHOIR**

Appropriate items of uniform for choir performances will be advised in the permission not for each performance.