Hawthorn West Primary School
Uniform Policy

Rationale

Hawthorn West Primary School students are expected to wear school uniform. A school uniform instils a sense of pride and belonging in the school community, whilst identifying students within the school grounds. A school uniform eliminates competition and is proven to be more economical.

Program Objectives

- Promote a sense of belonging within the school.
- Promote equality amongst students.
- Provide an affordable and durable range of clothing for parents to purchase.
- All students are identifiable whilst at school, attending school excursions and travelling to and from school.
- Accommodate religious and cultural requirements of students in relation to clothing.
- Promote a sense of House team spirit and camaraderie.

Implementation:

- All students are required to wear the school approved uniform on a daily basis unless otherwise notified for special event days.
- All parents/guardians and staff members are responsible for ensuring that students are wearing the correct school uniform.
- Students who are out of uniform are expected to provide a note stating the reason for this.
- It is expected that students respect and care for their school uniform.
- Sports uniform in House colours is to be worn at specified internal school sporting activities.
- All hats must be worn between September and April in line with the Sun Smart Policy.

Definitions (Dress Code):

- Hawthorn West Primary School colours are bottle green and white.
- The Hawthorn West Primary school uniform list defines the items of clothing acceptable to wear for summer and winter uniform. This list is approved by the School Council.
- Broad brimmed hat must have a safety cord attachment.
• Hawthorn West Primary School bag is to be endorsed by the Australian Physiotherapy Association or Chiropractors' Association of Australia.
• Under no circumstances are students to wear open-toed shoes (including casual dress days).
• Year 6 students are permitted to wear a specific school jacket with the HWPS logo in school colours.

Evaluation
This Policy was endorsed by the Hawthorn West Primary School Council at a committee meeting November 2012 and is to be reviewed every 3 years.