RATIONALE FOR SCHOOL UNIFORM
It helps to develop school identity, school spirit and a sense of belonging.
It aids in the promotion of a good school image amongst the community.
It leads to greater student safety through easier recognition of pupils at school and on excursions.
For a lot of families it is a cheaper and simpler way to dress students for school when the opportunity of more expensive brand name clothing is removed.
It aids in reducing peer pressure for students who cannot afford expensive brand name clothing.
Transition to High School where a more formal dress code is required, is an easier progression.

UNIFORM POLICY GUIDELINES
All students should be wearing school uniform.
There will be a transition phase for students transferring from other schools for a period of 4 weeks.
All staff will actively support and encourage the wearing of school uniform.
All parent/caregivers are also asked to actively support and encourage school uniform and provide students with clothing in accordance with the dress code.

*We strongly encourage parents to label all items of school clothing.*

*DECS Regulation 189A states that* the principal may exempt any student from wearing the School Uniform upon a written request from a parent or caregiver on the following grounds:

- Religious
- Cultural or ethnic
- Financial hardship
- Itinerant students
- Genuine medical and family sickness reason
- Any other additional grounds as the School Council may determine.

Students not complying with the school uniform policy will not be suspended or excluded from classroom lessons.

STUDENTS WHO DON’T WEAR THE DRESS CODE [and aren’t exempt]

*DECS Regulation 189A states that disciplinary action may be taken in relation to wilful and persistent breaches of a school council determined dress code.*

Classroom teachers, supported by all staff members will monitor the wearing of School Uniforms, encourage students to wear it and will initially deal with non-compliance.

ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR THE APPROVED SCHOOL UNIFORM

1. Students who fail to comply with school uniform will be spoken to and reminded of their responsibility as well as the consequences.
2. Students who continue to arrive at school without the approved uniform will be sent to the office and expected to wear an item of clean clothing provided by the school.
3. After Steps 1 & 2 students will be placed in Time Out and written notification will be sent to parents about the school’s policy with a reply slip for parents to return.

4. Senior staff may contact parents to discuss this matter.

*If attending a school excursion, all students are expected to wear the approved uniform. Students arriving at school without the approved uniform will be expected to wear items of clean clothing provided by the school or remain at school and not participate in the excursion.*

**SCHOOL UNIFORM** [Approved School Council 22/10/01]

Navy and white [straight colours only]

Navy [only] trackpants, slacks, trousers, shorts  
Navy [only] skirts or pinafores  
Predominantly navy tops, optional white trim  
White or navy polo shirt or skivvy  
Blue and white checked dresses

*Navy legionnaire, wide brimmed or bucket hats must be worn at recess and lunchtime and all outdoor activities Terms 1 & 4.*

Parkas, bomber jacket and appropriate rainwear are acceptable for outside wear at recess and lunchtime only.

No denim including jeans.  
No snap pants.  
No brand name or logos [larger than 50mm]  
No T-shirts

Footwear must be appropriate for *all school* activities.  
No thongs except on medical grounds with a written note to class teacher from parent/caregiver.  
No high heels or platform shoes.

No temporary hair colours or excessive hair adornments.  
Studs, sleepers or small discreet earrings only.  
*For safety reasons, other visible body piercings are not permitted.*  
No excessive jewellery for safety and security reasons.  
No perfume, make-up or aerosol sprays for normal school attendance.

I have read and discussed the Uniform Policy with my child/children. I am/am not seeking an exemption.

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Signed: ..................................................  Date: .............................................
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Dear .........................................................

In line with our School Council Uniform Policy, approved 22\textsuperscript{nd} October 2001, I wish to advise you that your child ............................................. was not wearing approved school uniform today.

Your child was ..............................................................................................................................................................
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We would remind you that the School Council after much consultation and discussion made the decision to implement the wearing of school uniform compulsory.

This decision was made in accordance with the Education Act and subsequently is binding on all those who choose to attend this school.

In special circumstances exemptions from the School Uniform policy can be granted. An exemption may be granted on any of the following grounds:

- Religious
- Cultural or Ethnic
- Itinerancy
- Poverty
- Medical or Family Illness

If you wish to discuss this matter please contact me. Your child needs to return the completed form tomorrow.

Regards,

Class Teacher.

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GULFVIEW HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL
SCHOOL UNIFORM NON-COMPLIANCE NOTIFICATION

Dear .........................................................

I have received the Uniform Non-Compliance Notification regarding ...........................................................

Comments: ..............................................................................................................................................................
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Signed: ......................................................... Date: ..............................................