



Student uniform and dress code

Holland Park State School community endorses the universal wearing of school uniforms by students from Prep to Year 6. This code has been endorsed by the school's Parents and Citizens' Association. Students are expected to wear correct school uniform at all times. A child in uniform readily identifies with their school and establishes a school identity in the local community. This policy has been developed in accordance with Chapter 12, Part 9, Section 360 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld).

Rationale

The uniform exemplifies students' pride in being part of the Holland Park State School community. There is a belief that having all students wear a school uniform helps create a sense of belonging and good school ethos (culture or spirit). By showing that we expect high standards with our uniform, expectations are raised, and students respond with better behaviour, self-esteem, work ethic and student learning. The dress code involves maintaining appropriate dress standards and wearing the school uniform with pride. This includes when:

- attending or representing the school
- participating in school excursions and field trips
- travelling to and from school
- engaging in school activities out of school hours

As a community, we each have a responsibility to uphold our Student Uniform and Dress Code in the following ways:

- Students: will wear the school uniform respectfully.
- Parents/carers: will ensure students wear the correct uniform each day.
- School staff: will encourage and expect students to follow the dress code each day.

The design of our school uniform focuses on practicality, sun safety, climate, comfort, modest, cost and social equity. Students can choose to wear either the formal or sports uniform on any day of the week excluding the below:

- On the days where students have Physical Education the sports uniform is required.
- The formal uniform is to be worn for formal occasions (including some excursions) and school photographs.



School Hats Policy

Holland Park State School enforces a strict **“NO HAT, NO PLAY”** policy to ensure the health and safety of all students. A bucket hat or wide-brimmed hat must be worn at all times when students are outdoors for play or learning activities. Caps and visors are not permitted as they do not provide adequate sun protection.

- **Prep students** must wear the designated yellow school hat, which is easily identifiable for duty of care and safety purposes.
- **Students in Years 1 to 6** are permitted to wear either:
 - The standard HPSS school hat, or
 - The optional HPSS reversible house bucket hat.

These items are considered essential components of the school uniform. Failure to comply may result in students being restricted to shaded areas during outdoor activities, in line with the school’s SunSmart policy.



Prep Hat

HPSS Formal
Hat

HPSS reversible
house bucket hat



HPSS reversible house bucket hat

Girls Formal Uniform

To be worn on all formal occasions and for school photographs.

- HPSS dress or HPSS blouse with HPSS culottes
- White socks (or optional HPSS white sock with stripes)
- Suitable black shoes or black joggers
- HPSS school hat as per [School Hats Policy](#)



Cold Weather Options

- HPSS zip jacket (or optional older style HPSS pullover) or a Plain royal blue jumper
- Navy tights or leggings under dress or culottes





Boys Formal Uniform

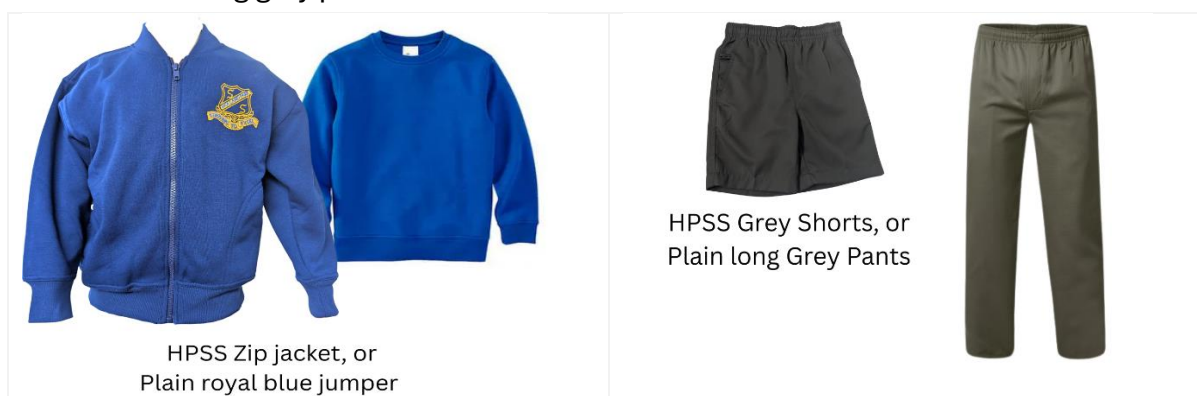
Can be worn every day except for Physical Education days.

- HPSS shirt with grey shorts, Shirt is worn out
- HPSS grey socks with stripes
- Suitable black shoes or black joggers
- HPSS school hat as per [School Hats Policy](#)



Cold Weather Options

- HPSS zip jacket (or optional older style HPSS pullover) or a Plain royal blue jumper
- Plain long grey pants





Unisex Sports Uniform (all seasons)

Can be worn any day except for formal occasions and school photographs.

- HPSS unisex sports polo shirt
- HPSS unisex sports shorts
- White socks
- Suitable sports shoes or black joggers
- HPSS school hat as per [School Hats Policy](#)



Unisex Sports Cold Weather Options

- HPSS zip jacket (or optional older style HPSS pullover)
- HPSS trackpants
- Plain royal blue jumper



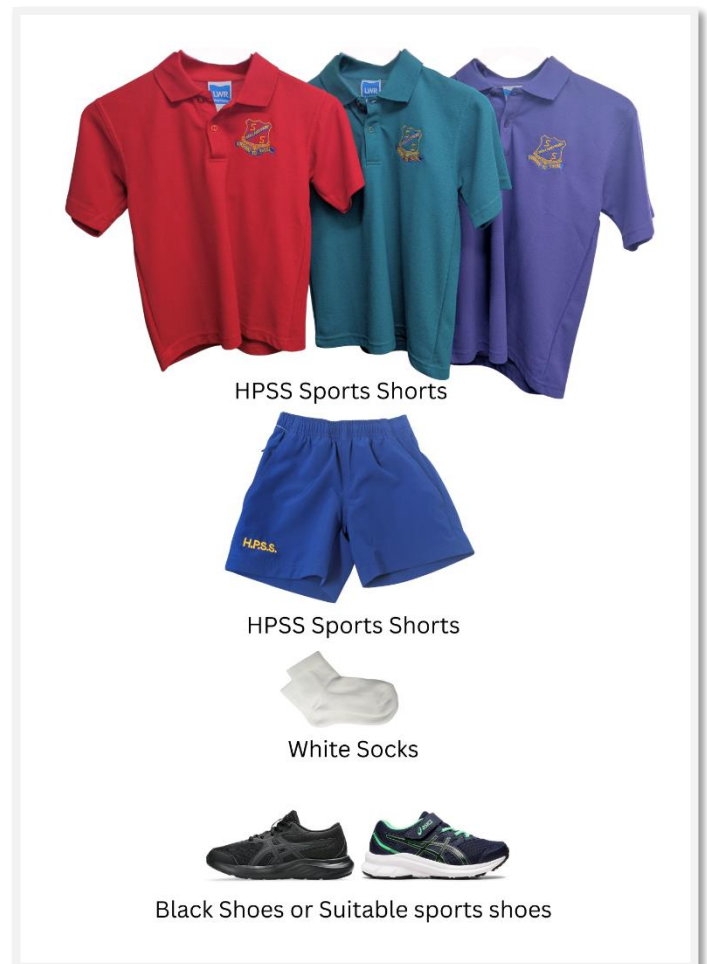
Unisex House Uniform

To be worn on special event days only (approximately 3 days per year). For example Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals.

- Bowen, Lavarack or Wilson unisex house polo shirt
- HPSS unisex sports shorts
- White socks (or optional HPSS white sport socks)
- Suitable sport shoes or black joggers
- HPSS school hat or reverse side of the HPSS house bucket hat

Sports House Colours Policy

- Students are permitted to wear only the official HPSS school house shirts. If a student does not have a house shirt, they must wear the **HPSS unisex sports polo shirt**. Shirts in non-school colours are not permitted.
 - The optional House Polo shirt can only be worn on HPSS Sports Days, which occur three times per year.
- The HPSS reversible house bucket hat will display the colour corresponding to each student's house.
- House-coloured accessories, such as curly hair ribbons, are also permitted to support house spirit.





Grooming/Hair

- Hair must be neat, clean and tidy. Hair longer than collar length should be tied back off the face.
- Natural hair colouring only. No coloured dye or spray, or extreme hairstyles are permitted.
- All hair that falls over the collar should be tied back to help minimize the spread of head lice. Hair accessories (e.g. ribbons, scrunchies etc.) are to be in the school colours.
- Head coverings - Head coverings for reasons of religion, ethnicity or cultural practices, traditions or customs such as the hijab, yarmulke or turban are permitted in school colours.

Jewellery

The only jewellery permitted to be worn with the uniform is:

- Watch – wearable devices such as smartwatches, can be worn however notifications must be switched off so that phone calls, messages and other notifications cannot be sent or received during school hours.
- Earrings – small stud or sleepers only (to prevent ears being injured).
- Medical alert bracelet/necklace. Medical, cultural or religious necklaces are permitted but must be concealed beneath the shirt and not visible. *Please note that these necklaces may need to be removed to enable participation in practical activities and sport as per DoE guidelines.*

Makeup/Cosmetics

Makeup is not a part of the school uniform and must not be worn. This includes eye makeup, blusher, foundation, mascara, eyeliner.

Fingernails must be natural (no fake nails) and free from polish.

Temporary tattoos must be covered by school uniform or removed prior to attending school.



Free Dress Days/Sports Day

- Students are required to wear school appropriate and sun safe clothing on free dress days.
- Closed in footwear (no thongs, sandals or clogs).
- T-shirts or hats with inappropriate slogans and images, singlets and tank tops are not appropriate clothing for school.

Infringement of School Uniform and Dress Code

Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children comply with the dress code before they leave for school each day. Parents who send their children to school wearing clothes contrary to the dress code may be contacted and requested to collect their child or bring a change of clothes. Students not complying with other aspects of the dress code will be asked to rectify this by removing inappropriate items. Students will not be permitted to represent the school in any official capacity if they are not in the appropriate school uniform.

Parent request for short- or long-term modifications

While the school uniform design has a focus on practicality, sun safety, climate, comfort, cost, social equity and inclusivity we understand that items stocked at our uniform shop may not always meet the diverse needs of our community.

Parents are welcome to contact the school office to request short- or long-term modifications, reasonable adjustments or exemptions to the dress code, providing reasons for the request.

The reasonable adjustment of an item of clothing for sensory, physical, or other needs of a student with disability is a regular occurrence.

Lost Property and Labelling Policy

To assist in the prompt return of lost items, all clothing and belongings should be clearly marked with the student's full name. Proper labelling significantly improves the chances of items being returned quickly.



Labelling Recommendations: Correctly applied **iron-on labels** are the most durable and long-lasting option. Use of **permanent markers** is discouraged as the ink tends to wash out over time.

Lost Property Location: Lost property is kept outside the Uniform Shop in Lower G-block. This area is currently overflowing with unnamed or poorly labelled items, particularly school jumpers, hats, and lunchboxes.

Please help us by:

- Ensuring all belongings are clearly labelled with your child's **first and last name** (including class if possible).
- Encouraging your child to regularly check the lost property for missing items.

Access to Lost Property: Students may check the lost property area throughout the week to locate their belongings.

Unclaimed Items: At the end of each term, unclaimed lost property will be donated to the Uniform Shop for repurposing or resale. Non-school items will be donated to charity.

Questions and Communication

If you have any questions about the Student Uniform and Dress Code, please contact the office by email:

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Further information is available on our website via: hollandparkss.eq.edu.au