

School Uniform Policy

Purpose Statement

The Kristin School uniforms help to create a collective identity, a sense of belonging and community. Wearing our school uniforms correctly, and with pride, is important to reinforce this positive identity and community.

Guiding Principles

- All students and their family agree to adhere to our school uniform regulations and standards and actively support the correct wearing of the school uniform, as a condition of enrolment.
- Our school uniforms help to promote the School's image and profile, and so it is to be always worn in a manner that emphasises the school's high standards and expectations.
- All uniform regulations and standards are to be consistently supported by students and parents and enforced by staff throughout the three schools.
- To ensure student safety and wellbeing any variations to the uniform can be approved for health reasons, and there are to be gender neutral uniform choices available.
- Students have opportunities to express their own individuality and creativity through a wide range of opportunities across our school.
- Our school's uniform items and 'Dress Code Regulations' are to be clearly communicated and available to all parents, students and staff (e.g. Website, Student Diary/Handbook, part of Letter of Offer).

Management Procedures

- The Executive Principal has prime responsibility for the image and profile of the School, and to ensure that there is consistency in all representation of the School's image. The Executive Principal has the right to make personal exemptions for variations to the School's uniform regulations, such as cultural or medical grounds.
- Student hairstyles are expected to be kept 'natural' in terms of colour and style. Hair should be off the face and collar, kept clean and tidy. School Principals will determine by their judgement what are perceived to be 'extreme hair styles', which will not be accepted and need to be changed by the student.
- Students are required to be clean shaven.

- Jewellery: A watch, one pair of plain silver or gold stud earrings worn in the ear lobes, no other piercings or similar unless permission is sought from the Executive Principal on cultural or religious grounds.
- A 'Uniform Committee' is to be delegated responsible to ensure that our uniforms are of a quality standard, designed in such a way as to create consistency of look and uphold our reputation, and ensure that where possible items can be worn across schools and sporting codes. This Uniform Committee is to be made up of one SLT member, one Assistant Principal from each of the three schools, Retail Shop Manager, and one representative from the Sports Office. Any new or additional uniforms, including uniforms being organised by staff and other members of the school community must be first approved by this Uniform Committee and then the Executive Principal prior to being ordered.
- The Kristin School uniforms are to be worn by each student in accordance with the 'Dress Code Regulations' document provided for each of the three schools. These documents are to be displayed on the school website, printed in the Student Diaries and provided in the Letter of Offer of a place. Any changes to these 'Dress Code Regulations' requires prior approval by the Executive Principal.
- The current 'Dress Code Regulations' for each of the three schools are to be attached as an appendix to this Policy. These 'Dress Code Regulations' are to be correctly adhered to by all students at all times at school and while representing the school in public, including travelling to and from school.
- The sports uniforms must be worn correctly as set out by the Director of Sport. Students are not permitted to wear 'muft' items in conjunction with their Kristin School sports uniform. This includes suitable school items worn when travelling to and from the venue and on the side line (e.g. school hoodie or jacket). All students who participate in a sports tournament representing the school are expected to wear the full relevant kit for the code, e.g. school sports tracksuit.
- It is the responsibility of each Principal to ensure the Kristin School uniforms are consistently worn correctly in adherence with their 'Dress Code Regulations'. Principals or Assistant Principals can approve short term variations to the uniform regulations, such as for medical/health reasons or lack of supply issues.
- During the year, as and when appropriate (e.g. assemblies), the Deans and School Principals will remind and keep students familiar with the Kristin School uniform expectations and standards.
- The expectation is that all items of school uniform are purchased from the school's Retail Shop, the school's online supplier, or through the KFF second hand sale events. Where economically viable Kristin School will seek to source uniform items from local, ethical and sustainable providers.

- The Retail Shop Manager will be responsible to the Administration and Services Manager. His/her role will involve the purchasing and selling of the uniform. Any school-related uniform issues will be discussed with the Executive Principal and business-related issues with the Director of Business Services.
- It is the responsibility of the parents/guardian to ensure that each student is correctly dressed to attend school, with uniform that is clean and in good repair. Then every staff member is responsible to ensure all students attend their lessons and activities correctly dressed. If, for some unavoidable reason, a student's uniform is incorrect then communication must be obtained from their parent/guardian. In the Junior School this communication must be directed to the Class Teacher who will forward on to the Dean and Junior School office. In the Middle and Senior Schools, the communication is to go to the Assistant Principal or Dean. The student will be given a 'uniform pass' if the explanation is valid. That 'pass' must be available as requested, by any member of staff during the day.
- As part of the consistent enforcement of the school's uniform regulations staff should ensure all students correctly wear their appropriate uniform in school, physical education, and sports and cultural activities. Any serious or ongoing defiance or failure to wear the correct uniform could see a student denied access to a lesson or activity, and/or referred to the appropriate Dean/Assistant Principal.
- In extreme cases, students may be withheld from class and/or sent home until the issue is remedied. In such cases the parents of the student concerned must be informed and involved in seeking resolution.
- In the event of Mufti Days, students are expected to ensure their standard of dress is consistent with promoting the school's image, standards and profile. This means clothing free from offensive images and messages, and not overtly revealing.

Associated Policies/Documents: Dress Code Regulations for each of the three schools (attached to this policy as an appendix), Discipline Policy, Behavioural Code of Conduct (School Rules)

Kindergarten Uniform Options

Warm weather uniform: Kristin PE shirt, Kristin PE shorts, school/safari sandals, blue or black hair clips and ties.

Cold weather uniform: Kristin PE shirt (you may wear a navy or black long sleeved thermal top under the shirt), Kristin Kindergarten navy track pants, white socks, black sport shoes (these may have a small amount of white on them), Kristin micro-fleece zip top (optional), blue or black hair clips and ties.

Other items: Kristin legionnaire or bucket hat, Kristin navy raincoat, navy gumboots (to be purchased privately)

Junior School Dress Code Regulations

The Kristin School uniform must be worn with pride and to the highest standard at all times. All items of the uniform must be regulation, as available for purchase from the school Retail Shop or online at ww.argyleonline.co.nz

Blazers: The fleece blazer or the Middle School blazer (Year 5-6) is an option uniform item in the Junior School.

Unisex Check shirt: This shirt is designed to be worn out.

Skirt/Skort or Pinafore: Please take the time to carefully check the length of your child's skirt, skort or pinafore. When your child is kneeling on the ground, the hem of the skirt, skort or pinafore should brush the floor - no shorter. Please ensure that any necessary adjustments are made.

Shorts/trousers: Shorts must be between mid-thigh and the knee in length. No low riding will be tolerated under any circumstances in any item of school uniform.

The tie: is optional and must be worn with the top button of the shirt done up.

School jersey, vest, cardigan: The school knitwear must be long enough to cover the shirt. Students must not wear their shirt hanging out beneath their jersey.

Girl's Shoes: Black T-bar shoes or black leather lace up school shoes with regulation navy ankle socks or black tights in in Term 2 and 3 or black sandals without socks in Term 1 and 4. Sports shoes or Chuck Taylor style shoes are not permitted.

Boy's Shoes: Black leather lace-up school shoes with regulation navy long socks or black sandals without socks in Term 1 and 4. Sports shoes or Chuck Taylor style shoes are not permitted.

Hats: Please note all students in the Junior School wear a regulation school hat during break times and outdoor lessons during Terms 1 and 4.

Raincoats: These are to be worn to protect students from the rain throughout the year. During Terms 2 and 3, raincoats may be worn over, but not instead of, the blazer.

Hair: Hair that sits on the collar must be tied back using a regulation navy, brown or black hair tie, or regulation scrunchie. No 'cut in' designs or shaved in styles. Hair colour and style must be natural, any extreme hair styles will need to be changed.

Jewellery: A watch, one pair of plain silver or gold stud earrings worn in the ear lobes, no other visible piercings or similar unless permission is sought from the Executive Principal on cultural or religious grounds.

Make Up: No make-up, coloured nail polish or visible body art or tattoos unless permission is sought from the Executive Principal on cultural or religious grounds.

PE Gear: School regulation PE shirt or House T-shirt and shorts must be worn for all PE lessons.

Middle School Dress Code Regulations

The Kristin School uniform must be worn with pride and to the highest standard at all times. All items of the uniform must be regulation, as available for purchase from the school Retail Shop or online at www.argyleonline.co.nz.

Blazers: These are compulsory and must be worn to and from school during Terms 2 and 3. They must also be worn on all school trips and to all assemblies during the winter terms. Blazers must also be worn for all specified formal occasions held throughout the year.

Girls' summer/winter white blouse: This blouse is designed to be worn out over the skirt. It must not hang out beneath the blazer or knitwear. The neck size must be comfortable in fit allowing for the top button to be done up at all times when the tie is required to be worn.

Skirt or pinafore: Please take the time to carefully check the length of your child's skirt or pinafore. When your child is kneeling on the ground, the hem of the skirt or pinafore should brush the floor - no shorter. Please ensure that any necessary adjustments are made.

Boys' summer/winter white shirt: This shirt must be tucked into the shorts/trousers. The neck size must be comfortable in fit allowing for the top button to be done up at all times when the tie is required to be worn. It must not hang out beneath the blazer or jersey.

Shorts/trousers: Must be worn with a school regulation navy belt. Shorts must be between mid-thigh and the knee in length. No low riding will be tolerated under any circumstances in any item of school uniform.

The tie: is to be tied neatly and worn correctly at all times. If the weather is particularly hot during Term 1 student's may be advised by the school principal that they are not required to wear the tie until Week 5 (after camp).

School jersey, vest, cardigan: The school knitwear must be long enough to cover the shirt/blouse. Students must not wear their shirt/blouse hanging out beneath their jersey.

Girl's Shoes: Black Zita or Molly shoes (only available from the school Retail Shop) with regulation navy ankle socks or black leather lace-up school shoes with regulation navy ankle socks or in summer black roman or Birkenstock Milano or Bali sandals without socks. Sports shoes or Chuck Taylor style shoes are not permitted. Black tights are optional for Middle School girls in Terms 2 & 3.

Boy's Shoes: Black leather lace-up school shoes with regulation navy long socks or black roman or Birkenstock Milano sandals without socks in summer terms. Sports shoes or Chuck Taylor style shoes are not permitted.

Hats: Please note all students in the Middle School wear a regulation school hat during break times and outdoor lessons during Terms 1 and 4.

Raincoats: These are to be black or navy in colour and can be worn to protect students from the rain throughout the year. During Terms 2 and 3, raincoats may be worn over, but not instead of, the blazer.

Hair: Hair that sits on the collar must be tied back using a regulation navy, brown or black hair tie, or regulation scrunchie. No 'cut in' designs or shaved in styles. Hair colour and style must be natural, any extreme hair styles will need to be changed. Students are to be clean shaven.

Jewellery: A watch, one pair of plain silver or gold stud earrings worn in the ear lobes, no other visible piercings or similar unless permission is sought from the Executive Principal on cultural or religious grounds.

Make Up: No make-up, coloured nail polish or visible body art or tattoos unless permission is sought from the Executive Principal on cultural or religious grounds.

PE Gear: School regulation PE shirt or House T-shirt and shorts must be worn for all PE lessons.

Senior School Dress Code Regulations

The Kristin School uniform must be worn with pride and to the highest standard at all times. All items of the uniform must be regulation, as available for purchase from the school Retail Shop or online at www.argyleonline.co.nz

Blazers: These are compulsory and must be worn to and from school during Terms 2 and 3. They must also be worn on all school trips and to all assemblies during the winter terms. Blazers must also be worn for all specified formal occasions held throughout the year.

Girls' summer/winter white blouse: This blouse is designed to be worn out over the skirt. It must not hang out beneath the blazer or knitwear. The neck size must be comfortable in fit allowing for the top button to be done up at all times when the tie is required to be worn.

Skirt or pinafore: Please take the time to carefully check the length of your child's skirt or pinafore. When your child is kneeling on the ground, the hem of the skirt or pinafore should brush the floor - no shorter. Please ensure that any necessary adjustments are made.

Boys' summer/winter white shirt: This shirt must be tucked into the shorts/trousers. The neck size must be comfortable in fit allowing for the top button to be done up at all times when the tie is required to be worn. It must not hang out beneath the blazer or jersey.

Shorts/trousers: Must be worn with a school regulation navy belt. Shorts must be between mid-thigh and the knee in length. No low riding will be tolerated under any circumstances in any item of school uniform.

The tie: is to be tied neatly and worn correctly at all times. If the weather is particularly hot during Term 1 student's may be advised by the school principal that they are not required to wear the tie until Week 5 (after camp).

School jersey, vest, cardigan: The school knitwear must be long enough to cover the shirt/blouse. Students must not wear their shirt/blouse hanging out beneath their jersey.

Girl's Shoes: Black Zita or Molly shoes (only available from the school Retail Shop) with regulation navy ankle socks or black leather lace-up school shoes with regulation navy ankle socks or in Summer black roman or Birkenstock Milano or Bali sandals without socks. Sports shoes or Chuck Taylor style shoes are not permitted. Senior School girls must wear black tights during Terms 2 & 3.

Boy's Shoes: Black leather lace-up school shoes with regulation navy long socks or black roman or Birkenstock Milano sandals without socks in summer terms. Sports shoes or Chuck Taylor style shoes are not permitted.

Hats: In order to protect themselves from the harmful effects of the sun and as role models to younger students it is strongly advised that students in the Senior School wear a regulation school hat during break times and outdoor lessons during Terms 1 and 4.

Raincoats: These are to be black or navy in colour and can be worn to protect students from the rain throughout the year. During Terms 2 and 3, raincoats may be worn over, but not instead of, the blazer.

Hair: Hair that sits on the collar must be tied back using a regulation navy, brown or black hair tie, or regulation scrunchie. No 'cut in' designs or shaved in styles. Hair colour and style must be natural, any extreme hair styles will need to be changed. Students are to be clean shaven.

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Make Up: No make-up, coloured nail polish or visible body art or tattoos unless permission is sought from the Executive Principal on cultural or religious grounds.

PE Gear: School regulation PE shirt or House T-shirt and shorts must be worn for all PE lessons.