



Student Dress Code

The official school colours are gold and royal blue. The staff and P & C Association of Milton State School strongly support the wearing of school uniforms by students. Parents are asked to support this. Students neatly attired in school uniform are a source of pride for themselves, the school, their families and the community.

We aim to ensure our uniform contributes to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- Ready identification of students and non students at school
- Fostering a sense of belonging
- Developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences
- Reflecting local community standards
- Consistence with occupational health and safety and anti-discrimination legislation

Uniform guidelines incorporate SunSmart requirements and Workplace Health and Safety requirements. Inappropriate dress for Milton SS students is:

- Offensive
- Likely to disrupt, or negatively influence normal school operations
- Unsafe for student or others; and
- Likely to result in a risk to health and safety of student or others

Therefore the following items are considered unacceptable:

- Open sandals and thongs
- Hoop style earrings
- Stud earrings when swimming
- Necklaces, bracelets (unless for medical or religious reasons)
- Hoodies

Hair styles need to be neat and appropriate for a school environment. This includes the style and colour. The Principal has final decision on what constitutes an appropriate style and colour.

UNIFORM – GIRLS

Gold polo shirt/white polo shirt and royal blue skorts or trackpants or blue and white pinstriped dress. Royal blue/yellow microfibre jacket or royal blue hoodie. White socks or blue / black leggings / stockings. Closed in shoes and broad brimmed royal blue hat.

UNIFORM – BOYS

Gold polo shirt/white polo shirt with royal blue shorts or track pants. Royal blue/yellow microfibre jacket or royal blue hoodie. White socks, closed in shoes and broad brimmed royal blue hat.

When representing the school, in sport music or special occasions, the white school shirt is worn with blue shorts or skort. Children representing Milton at Chess tournaments wear the Chess shirt. All available at the uniform shop.

A student's non-compliance with school's student dress code requirements is not grounds for suspension, exclusion, or cancellation of enrolment from school but it may lead to the Principal:

- Imposing a detention for a student during lunch
- Preventing student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which student is representing school: or
- Preventing student from attending or participating in any school activity that is not an essential school education program

Consideration would be given to:

- Mobile families requiring sufficient time to purchase items of dress:
- Economic hardship requiring special arrangements, or an extended period of time, to purchase new items of dress;
- Students with physical impairments requiring greater flexibility in interpretation of dress codes; and
- Conscientious objections, for example objections raised on any reasonable religious or cultural grounds.

Conflict around the wearing of the Milton SS uniform could be resolved through:

- Alternative arrangements for a set period of time upon receipt of written request from parent; and
- Opportunities to wear relevant items of dress code from a bank of items held at school
- Offering appropriate item/s from a bank of clothing/uniforms held at school;
- Taking action that prevents risk to student or others, or action that maintains normal school operations;
- Informing student's parents or carers of incident and discuss further with parents or carers, representatives of school and student to prevent a recurrence; and
- Implementing a process of conflict resolution or mediation if student persistently wears inappropriate dress after discussions have been held with parents or carers.

Uniforms can be purchased at the Uniform Shop. Please contact the uniform shop uniforms@miltonss.eq.edu.au for hours they are opened.



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Uniform shop FAQ's...

Q. How many Uniforms does my child need?

A. That is a personal choice which will vary for each family. When deciding keep in mind how often you do the laundry during the week. We also recommend that preppies always have a spare uniform in their bag, including underwear and socks in case of accidents or spills.

Q. Are second hand uniforms available?

A. Yes, pre-loved uniform items are available for purchase from the uniform shop, however size availability is not predictable nor guaranteed as it is totally dependent on the donations we receive.

Q. What shoes does my child need to wear?

A. Black 'school' shoes or joggers of any colour are fine. Just keep in mind that your child needs to be self-sufficient with doing them up so velcro fastenings are ideal for preppies.

Q. What socks does my child need to wear?

A. Plain white socks, crew, ankle or sports style socks are fine. MSS school socks are available from the uniform shop but are not compulsory.

Q. Is the school branded backpack compulsory?

A. No it is not compulsory, however most students do use them, and parents find that over the long term they are excellent value for money. They are very sturdy, regularly lasting the students' entire school life at Milton. They have multiple compartments including a padded technology compartment and an external water bottle compartment.

Q. Does my child need a library bag?

A. Yes, without a library bag your child will not be able to borrow books. We do sell library bags with the school logo, but any fabric bag is fine.

Q. When will my child do their school swimming lessons & what do they need.

A. All grades swim in terms 1 and 4 as their school PE Lesson. Besides the obvious togs/swimmers, towel and a separate bag to carry it all in, other compulsory items are a sun safe rashie shirt, swimming cap and goggles. These items do not need to be school branded so you may already have them all at home. We do sell school branded waterproof swimming bags, which again are not compulsory but are very durable and a good long term investment. Swimming caps in house colours are also available from the uniform shop. Swimmers and goggles can be purchased from the school pool.

Q. Which hat does my child need?

A. Your child must have a wide brim hat for maximum sun protection, **caps are not acceptable**. We sell 2 styles, a firmer brimmed slouch hat with a chin cord and the reversible bucket hat, which is a softer style that has their sports house colour on the reverse for sports days. Both styles have the school logo, comply with the Qld. Cancer Council sun safe requirements and are available in a variety of sizes. It's really about personal preference.

Q. How do I know which sports house my child is going to be in?

A. House allocations are arranged by the office administration and a comprehensive list is supplied directly to the uniform shop volunteers late in term 4 to assist with your purchases. If you have other children at the school they are automatically allocated to the same house team.

Q. When is the uniform shop open?

A. We are open between 8.30am and 9.30am each Tuesday and Friday morning during school terms. Along with additional opportunities to purchase on prep interview days, transition day in the last week of school each year and in the week before school commences again the following year. If you know the sizes required, online purchases can be made via the 'Qkr' app.



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Uniform purchasing tips...

The Uniform shop is very busy during the back-to-school trade days in the holiday week leading up to the start of school. There are often lengthy lines, causing increased wait times, so please read our tips below to assist you with your purchasing.

- Come in early, even before the end of this year ... you do not need to wait until next year to start purchasing your child's uniforms.

- Allow for growing room when choosing sizes.

- Keep in mind hats need to fit over pony tails, piggy tails, plaits etc.

- **LABEL EVERYTHING** with sharpie including hats, socks, underwear and swimming items.

- Come in early. Fittings are available on the prep interview days and you can certainly purchase items then. Otherwise visiting the uniform shop during term 4 is ideal, even if it's just to try items on ... this will save you time during the holiday opening times if you wish to make your actual purchases closer to the start of school.

- If you know your sizes, online Orders can be placed via the 'Qkr' app for you to collect from the Uniform shop or can be delivered to the students classroom.

- Instore payment methods include cash , eftpos, Mastercard, Visa Card and Amex.



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