**Bethania Lutheran School**

**Uniform and General Appearance**

At Bethania Lutheran School the wearing of full and correct school uniform is seen as important in maintaining and enhancing the positive image of the school in the community and developing a sense of pride, unity and belonging.

* All students are expected to wear the full, correct school uniform. When appearing in public, it is expected that students wear their uniform, including footwear correctly and with pride.
* Sports uniform is worn instead of the formal uniform on specified sports days.
* Students unable to wear correct uniform must have a note, outlining the reason, from their parent/guardian.
* School hats are to be worn when arriving at, or leaving school. The school has a strict no hat/no play policy.
* Items of uniform should be clearly labelled and are to be replaced when damaged or worn.
* All items of the uniform (except shoes) are available from the School Uniform Shop. The operating hours are 8.30 to 10am Tuesday and 2 to 3.30 pm Friday.

**Student Appearance Requirements**

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| Girls Hair | * Hair must be neat and tidy with no extreme styles. * Hair that reaches or is longer than the collar must be tied back with fringe pinned back (if lengthy). * Hair dye/bleach is not permitted. * Hair accessories must be royal blue. A selection of hair accessories is available from the uniform shop * Hair is to be worn so the school hat can be worn correctly. |
| Boys Hair | * Hair must be neat and tidy with no extreme styles eg rats tails, undercuts, not shorter than a no.3, no long fringes * Hair must be above the collar. * Hair dye/bleach is not permitted. |
| Make up | * The wearing of makeup and nail polish is not permitted * Temporary and/or real tattoos are not permitted |
| Jewellery | * A simple cross on a fine chain is the only item of jewellery permitted with the school uniform. * Students may wear a simple small watch. * Girls only may wear one pair of silver or gold studs (sleepers are not permitted due to safety reasons). No other piercings are permitted. * Boys are not permitted to wear earings or piercings. * Bracelets/bangles of any type are not permitted. |

**Student Uniform Requirements**

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| Sports uniform | Students must wear sports uniform on the allocated day(s).  The house shirt (yrs 4 to 6) must be worn for carnivals and Battle of the Houses.  Year 6 students may wear the graduate shirt instead of the sports shirt. The wearing of mouthguards, whilst not compulsory in most Battle of the Houses sport, is encouraged. |
| Sports Shoes | All white lace up sports shoes (not velcro) are encouraged but white shoes with conservative **minor** markings in either soft grey or navy are permitted. Volley style, skate, high tops, basketball, fluoro colours or similar fashion shoes are not permitted. |
| Formal Shoes | Plain, black leather lace up.  Joggers, high heels, velcro or buckle shoes are not permitted.  Shoes are to be in kept in good order and polished. |
| Girls culottes | Girl’s culottes are to be no shorter than 10cm above the knee when standing. |
| Bike Pants | Bike pants are not to be worn under either the formal or sports uniform |
| Prep uniform | Prep children are required to wear the sports uniform only. There is no requirement for the formal uniform in prep. |
| Winter | A winter uniform is available for purchase but is not compulsory. Please note that the sport uniform and formal uniform cannot be combined eg tracksuit pants with a formal shirt and black shoes.  A white tee shirt, white singlet or white long sleeve shirt may be worn under the school micro fibre jacket in cases of very cold weather. This shirt is not to be worn without the jacket and must be removed if the child wishes to take off their jacket. |
| Coloured  t shirts and singlets | Coloured tee shirts and singlets are not to be worn under the school uniform. A white tee shirt only is allowed and must be worn under the school shirt and in conjunction with the school jacket. |