UNIFORM POLICY

Rationale
The wearing of the College uniform is an outward sign of the respect that a student has for themselves and the St. Benedict’s Catholic College community. The St Benedict’s College uniform serves as an outward sign of what the school stands for, and the correct wearing of uniform is an indication of students’ pride in being members of the school community. We believe that the wearing of a school uniform reduces the social inequities that may be evident in a community that does not enforce a standard uniform. This assists in respecting the dignity of each individual by reducing social class barriers.

Guidelines
1. All students are to wear the full, correct uniform at all times.
2. The uniform is to be worn in a neat and tidy manner.
3. Damaged or shabby items of uniform are to be replaced.
4. School uniform regulations apply equally to hair, jewellery, make-up, hats and shoes.
5. Homeroom teachers are responsible for checking uniform on a daily basis.
6. Uniform breaches are to be recorded in the student diary.
7. If a repetition of uniform breaches occurs, the student is to be sent to the Assistant Principal who will discuss the issue with the student. For ongoing problems, parents will be contacted.
8. Students out of uniform, who have a valid reason, should have a note to this effect, signed by their parents in the diary. This is to be counter-signed by the homeroom teacher.
9. For extreme breaches of the uniform code, a student may be isolated from the rest of the school.
10. Where financial difficulties hamper a student in fully meeting all uniform requirements, the Principal may supply items of uniform at the school’s expense.

Basis of Discretion
• Discretion may be used for first-time offenders.
• The Principal has the right to waver uniform requirements in special circumstances.

Supporting Documents
• St Benedict’s Catholic College Enrolment information booklets.
• Student Diary.

Evaluation
The policy will be reviewed in November 2015 by the policy group.

Date of Implementation
Principal ………………………………………………………… Date ……………………