

Nurturing Our Future - Growing Together
Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu ngatahi

School Uniform Information



COMPULSORY SCHOOL UNIFORM

All students at Tamahere Model Country School are required to wear full school uniform every day. This includes:

- TMCS Polo Shirt
- TMCS School shorts or skort or dress
- TMCS Polar Fleece or Jacket
- TMCS hat for Term 1 and 4

HATS

Summer: TMCS wide brim or bucket hat is compulsory during Term 1 and 4

Winter: An optional TMCS beanie can be worn outside the classroom

FOOTWEAR

The type of footwear to be worn is personal choice and students should wear what they feel comfortable in. To assist with PE and sports activities / practices, sensible sports shoes are recommended. Heeled boots are not appropriate, with the exception of gumboots.

When wearing shoes, the following compulsory items must be worn:

- Black, white or same-colour green socks, stockings/tights

For health and safety reasons covered shoes must be worn for all school trips and when travelling on a bus.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR OUR UNIFORM

- Pupils are expected to wear the uniform correctly and in a clean and tidy condition.
- All uniform items have labels attached so that they can be named. It is essential that all items are well named to minimize lost items. Please check regularly for wearing-off of your child's name.
- Hair should be tidy and well groomed. We encourage long hair to be tied back. Hair ties can be black, white, yellow, and the same green. On Whanau Fridays and when our colourful Whanau shirts are being worn more ornate hair bows may also be worn.
- Jewellery, other than medical alert bracelets, watches and stud earrings/small sleepers is not permitted at school for safety reasons. Taonga such as greenstone and bone carvings will be permitted on written request to the Principal. This also includes pendants of religious significance.
- Make up is not appropriate for school.
- Additional shorts or socks are required for purchase when playing in school sports teams. (i.e. soccer, hockey, rugby, miniball etc.)

UNIFORM PRICES

School Uniform	
Polo Shirt	\$45
Microfleece	\$55
Merino Jersey	\$87
Shorts	\$35
Skorts	\$35
Dress	\$60
Jacket	\$60
Trackpants	\$55
Beanie/Hats	\$20
Whanau Shirt	\$35
Sports Uniform	
Rugby Shorts	\$30
Soccer / Hockey / Basketball shorts	\$30
Socks	\$15



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Policies and Procedures

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School Uniform Policy

RATIONALE

- In consultation with our community, there was strong support for the introduction of a compulsory uniform.
- A school uniform promotes a sense of pride, responsibility and identity within the school and our wider community through having a consistent school image and presentation.
- Our logo brings together the values we have in our Vision, with the koru representing the nurturing and unfurling of new life and learning, (Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu ngatahi). Linked with the sun the dual koru's represent us working together as one - Kia kotahi. The dark green base represents the foundation of the Waikato pastures and the river flowing through our community. This links with our identity as a 'Country' / Enviro School, while showing the importance of respect for others, self and environment - Kia Manaaki, and directly links to our 130 year old School Motto - Honour Be your Guide.
- All students are expected to wear the prescribed school uniform that provides all students with standard, practical and economical school clothing.

GUIDELINES

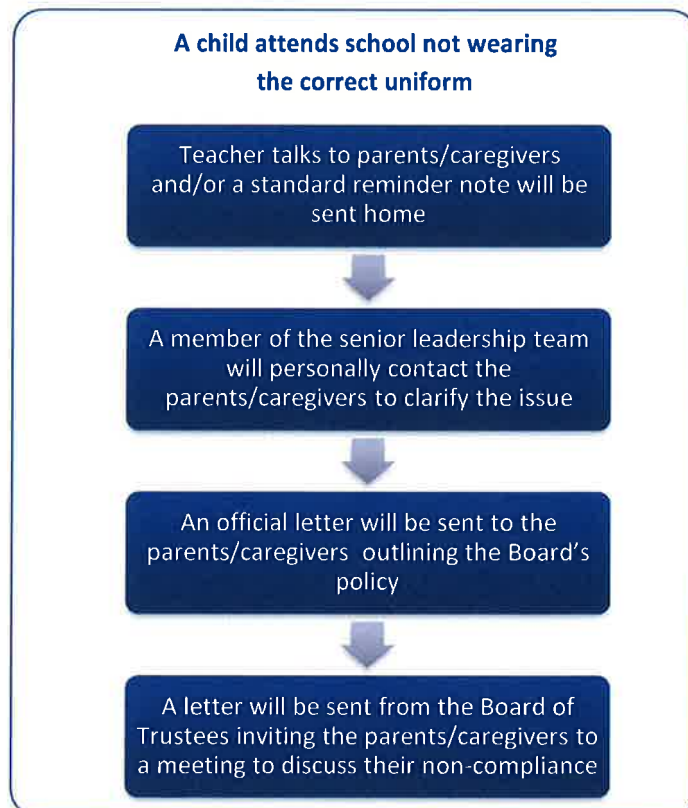
1. It is compulsory for ALL pupils attending the TMCS to wear the prescribed school uniform, as outlined in the TMCS School Uniform Information brochure.
2. We see the wearing of our school uniform as a mark of high standards, and that we are proud of our school and its reputation. Pupils are expected to wear the uniform correctly and in a clean and tidy condition.
3. The wearing of the school uniform will be included as part of the enrolment agreement for all new enrolments at school. The Board of Trustees and Principal have authority to set this policy under the 1989 Education Act, Section 72 and Section 76(b).
4. A copy of this policy and the TMCS School Uniform Information brochure will be included in the Parent Introductory pack issued with prospective enrolments.
5. Any parent having cultural or religious reasons for wishing their child not to wear the uniform options available, may make an application to the Board of Trustees for a dispensation.
6. Parents/caregivers are responsible for ensuring that their child/ren are provided with, and wear the prescribed school uniform.
7. A note to the class teacher must be provided if students are not in uniform for any specific unforeseeable reason. Acceptable alternative dress must be worn in these cases.
8. The staff of TMCS will monitor the wearing of the prescribed school uniform.

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MANAGEMENT APPROACH

- School uniform is available by ordering through the school office.
- The sale of second hand uniforms will be organised by the PTA, but will only include items of the 'new' 2015 uniform design.
- Financial advice and support will be available to parents from the Principal where there are problems regarding uniform costs.
- From time to time there will be legitimate reasons why pupils may not be able to wear the uniform. On such occasions pupils will be required to supply a note from home covering the reason and an indication of the time of the exemption.
- If a pupil does not wear correct uniform without proper exemption, the teacher shall talk to the child or parent on the first day and/or a standard reminder note will be sent home thereafter to inform the parent / caregiver of the concern by the class teacher
- If the matter is still unresolved, a member of the senior leadership team will personally contact the parents/caregivers to clarify the issue.
- If non-compliance with the School Uniform procedure continues, an official letter will be sent to the parents/caregivers outlining the Board's procedure.
- If the pupil still continues to not wear the school uniform, then a follow-up letter will be sent from the Board of Trustees inviting the parent/caregivers to a meeting to discuss their non-compliance.

The following flowchart outlines the management approach for non compliance to the school uniform policy:





Dear Parent/Caregiver of: _____

As you are aware our school uniform is compulsory, however we noticed today that your child was not in correct school uniform. We want all children to wear the school uniform with a sense of pride and we appreciate your support with this important matter.

The following items were not worn correctly by your child:

For more information regarding our uniform guidelines, please access the school website www.tamahere.school.nz or phone the school office. The uniform is available for purchase/ordering at the school office from 8.30am-9am on Thursday mornings.

If you are having difficulty arranging a school uniform, please let us know immediately.