Somerset College is proud of its uniform. The uniform instils a sense of personal pride in the student body and is representative of the unity within the “family” at the College. It reduces competition in dress amongst the students and fosters a sense of belonging. Our uniform also saves considerable expense to parents over the school year.

The following information applies to all students at Somerset College:

1. School uniform must be worn properly and totally, to and from the College in particular:
   - The girls’ skirts and dresses are to be worn to the knee.
   - The girls’ white socks must be one of the two Somerset College sock designs.
   - Sports socks are not acceptable with the girls’ dress or skirt.
   - The boys’ shorts and trousers must be suitably fitted.
   - School shoes to be worn by girls entering Year 11 must be a black enclosed shoe with a low heel. A T-bar style is not permitted. The shoe must cover the upper foot for workplace health and safety reasons. Girls have the option of wearing white anklet socks with regular school shoes, or an enclosed shoe with/without navy stockings.

2. Portions of College uniform are never to be worn with casual clothing.

3. Articles of jewellery are not permitted to be worn with the College uniform. Students who wish to wear jewellery of religious significance may do so provided it is concealed under the uniform. Any queries should be directed to the Head of House. Watches and medical identification tags may be worn, and girls with pierced ears are permitted to wear one pair of plain studs.

4. Body piercing jewellery items, other than plain ear studs, are not permitted at College.

5. Students are permitted to wear sunglasses at College; however, they should not be outrageous in style or worn inside the classroom.

6. Make-up, including mascara, may not be worn, and nail polish, if worn, must be colourless.

7. Hair must be neat, tidy and clean. Girls’ hair may be long but must be tied back, with a navy, green or white ribbon or College scrunchie if it falls below the collar line. Excessive use of gel or hair spray is not permitted. Extreme hair styles and extreme hair cuts or dyed hair are not acceptable. Boys’ hair length must not touch the collar and they are required to be clean-shaven without sideburns. Students may be sent home to attend to these matters if they are unsatisfactory.

8. Sports uniform is to be worn at all College sporting classes or events - internal or external to the College. All sports gear is to be carried in the sports bag. Students are permitted to wear their sports uniform home after sports training. Sports shoes/joggers are never to be worn with College day uniform. Sports uniform may not be worn to school.

9. Students must wear their day uniform to College. Students may wear their school sports uniform home on sports days and sports training afternoons.

10. On receipt of a letter for an award of a Full or Half Colour, students will be able to purchase a tie and/or badge which reflects this award. Students awarded a College Honour have permission to purchase an Honour Blazer, tie and/or a badge which reflects this award.

11. Somerset uniforms are only available from The Bird and Bush (Retail Centre) located in the Ray Building. Honour blazers can only be ordered or purchased secondhand with receipt of the award notification.

12. Senior School Students are required to wear formal uniform on Tuesdays in Terms Two and Three.