SCHOOL UNIFORMS AT AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS

Most private and government schools, in all Australian states, have a compulsory uniform policy.

For boys, the uniforms generally include trousers, shorts, jumpers and a button-up shirt and/or polo shirt.

Girls' uniforms generally include skirts, dresses, jumpers, blouses and/or polo shirts and sometimes also trousers and shorts.

At Private schools, uniforms for either gender often include a blazer, tie and hat.

A different uniform specifically for sports is usually worn for physical education activities. These can include shorts, tennis skirts/netball skirts.

In recent times Year 12 students at Australian schools have been allowed to wear special jumpers (Leavers Jumpers) or printed tops to denote their final year status. In some schools this has taken the form of a different coloured jumper (sometimes white or cream), a special commemorative year 12 top (eg a rugby top) with the last two digits of the year and a name or nickname displayed (shown on right), other tops are printed with the names of all students in that year level.) Some schools also have different ties or blazers for senior years.

Your host Rotary Club will assist you with the purchase of your school uniform. It is extremely helpful if you can purchase your school shoes before you some to Australia. Here is a picture of what is acceptable to most schools in our district.