

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

### **PURPOSE:**

1. To promote a learning environment where students feel safe and secure.
2. Uniform is a major contributing factor to the tone and uniqueness of Otumoetai Intermediate School.
3. Uniforms assist parents and students in resisting peer pressure and enable staff to easily identify unauthorized personnel on school site.
4. Uniforms encourage a sense of pride in the school and provide a standard by which the school may be judged.

### **OBJECTIVES:**

1. Students are expected to wear the correct uniform tidily at all times including moving to and from school and during school trips when required.
2. Wearing of correct school uniform is a condition of entry to Otumoetai Intermediate School and sets the standard of appearance required for all students.
3. The uniform requirements will be published each year in the school prospectus or information book.
4. Students who are members of school teams or groups are expected to wear the uniform presented for each particular group or team.
5. A uniform committee will be established to review the school uniform as required.
6. Procedures for dealing with students who fail to comply with the school policy on uniforms will be developed by Senior Management in consultation with staff.
7. These procedures for dealing with students who fail to comply with the school policy on uniforms will be made clear to all students and parents.
8. The school policy on uniforms takes into account the Human Rights Act which forbids discrimination on the grounds of sex, religions or ethical belief, colour, race, ethnic or national origin, political belief, disability or age.
9. The school will endeavour to assist students whose families have difficulty purchasing the correct uniform. This may be in the form of a letter to WINZ, passing on donated used uniforms or issuing footwear for the day.

### **SELF-REVIEW:**

This policy will be reviewed annually as part of the overall policy review for Otumoetai Intermediate School.