






SCHOOL CAP POLICY



ST BENEDICT'S

All St Benedict's boys are entitled to wear a formal cap during the formal school day and an informal sports cap during sport and other extracurricular activities. Both caps are optional and not compulsory uniform items.

Our aim is to promote and to entrench our boys' right to protect themselves from the dangerous effects of regular exposure to the sun. A "no hat no play" policy has been in effect at our Junior Preparatory school for many years and we wish to encourage our boys to continue the good habits acquired in the younger grades. We would encourage our boys to wear the caps as a simple and effective strategy for reducing ultraviolet radiation to the face and head. The neck may be protected by making use of the free sunscreen which is readily available in dispensers throughout the school.

		
<p>FORMAL CAP Preparatory & College Gr 4 - 12</p> <p>The formal navy blue cap is to be worn with the formal school uniform.</p> <p>This cap will also be worn by Cricketers*</p>	<p>SPORTS CAP Junior Preparatory, Preparatory & College - Gr R - 12</p> <p>The casual blue, red and white sports cap is designed to be worn with the school tracksuit and sports kit as well as the Junior Preparatory uniform</p>	<p>FIRST XI CRICKET MATCH CAP* Preparatory & College -</p> <p>The red and blue mushroom cap may only be worn by those boys who are members of the First XI Cricket team at both Preparatory and College level.</p>

* A wide-brimmed cricket hat be worn as an alternative.

FORMAL CAP ETIQUETTE

1. Boys in the Preparatory School and the College are permitted to wear the formal navy blue cap with their summer and winter uniforms.
2. All Preparatory and College cricket players must wear the navy blue cap as part of their cricket kit. The current royal blue cricket cap will ceased to be part of the school uniform from January 2015.
3. The formal navy blue cap may be worn in conjunction with the school uniform on the following occasions:
 - 3.1. During break and after school;
 - 3.2. While supporting outdoor school functions
4. The formal navy blue cap may not be worn:

- 4.1. In class or when indoors;
- 4.2. During mass; assemblies and line-ups
- 4.3. In the school canteen;
- 4.4. Whilst speaking to an adult;

NOTE: Boys are required to doff their caps visibly when passing or greeting an adult.

SPORTS CAP ETIQUETTE

1. Boys in the Preparatory School and the College are permitted to wear the red, white and blue sports cap in conjunction with their sports kit and the school tracksuit.
2. Under no circumstances may the Sports Cap be worn with the formal school uniform.
3. The etiquette for the wearing of the sports caps remains the same as that which applies for the wearing of the formal cap.
4. Junior Prep boys are expected to wear the red, white and blue sports cap at all sporting events, outdoor activities and at break.

FIRST XI MATCH CAP

The use of the First XI Cricket Cap is overseen by the First XI coach.

GENERAL

As an integral part of the school uniform, the school caps

- (1) are never to be substituted by any other caps e.g. a tour cap, and
- (2) are not available for sponsorship and corporate branding