NOSSAL UNIFORM - Dress code and expectations

The Nossal High School uniform has been designed to be distinctive, using a classic style with a contemporary feel. The school uniform is a visible sign of the school as an entity and the individual student's membership of the school. A Dress Code Policy is set by School Council and implemented by staff. Wearing our uniform symbolises both the wish to belong to the school and pride in the school. Students who are enrolled at Nossal High School accept the responsibility of wearing the school uniform on all school days, when they are travelling to and from school and when representing the school out of hours. They should do so in a manner that brings credit to the school. Parents/carers also accept the responsibility of supporting their children to ensure the correct uniform is worn at all times.

General Uniform Expectations

- PSW is the official uniform supplier for Nossal High School. Second hand uniform items can be purchased from the PFA Second Hand Uniform Shop throughout the yearand/ or at the PFA's annual Second Hand Book and Uniform Sale held in early December. All uniforms must be embroidered with the Nossal High School emblem.
- Approved religious attire that falls outside of the general uniform guidelines may be worn throughout the entire year in any of the school uniform colours. Long-sleeved and extra length dresses can be ordered from PSW at an extra cost although there is up to a 12-week wait time.
- Sports uniform may only be worn to and from school on days when students have timetabled practical Physical Education classes.
- Use of the Fitness Centre, sport training and Inter-house sports competitions, etc require students to bring their sports uniform and change into and out of it.
- Under no circumstances should the academic and sports uniform be worn together or mixed.
- The blazer must be worn as the outer garment when:
 - wearing the academic uniform (except on days of excessive temperature as determined by the school in Terms 1&4) when travelling to and from school, irrespective of the mode of travel
 - attending formal events including assemblies
 - at other times as required by the school program or administration
- Students wearing sports uniform, on days when the student has a timetabled PE class or are representing the school in a sport activity, must wear the spray jacket as the outer garment when;
 - travelling to and from school, irrespective of the mode of travel
 - attending formal events including assemblies (except on days of excessive temperature as determined by the school in Terms 1&4)
- Under no circumstances is the jumper to be worn as an outer garment to and from school. Students are only permitted to wear their jumper as the outer garment while in school.

Out Of Uniform Procedures

Students who are unable to wear the correct school uniform are required to provide a note from home, indicating the reason and the length of time needed to return to correct uniform.

They should:

- report to the Attendance Officer before the start of tutorial
- change into the appropriate uniform for the day using school-supplied uniform
- at the end of the day return the school supplied uniform to the Attendance Officer (labelled with student name).
- Where students have been loaned school uniform items and these have not been returned promptly or the school has not been able to recover school-provided uniform, parents/carers may be charged the cost of replacement.

Students who do not have a note will follow the same process as above but will be allocated to a Nossal Service Duty.

Repeated breaches of the NHS School Council Dress Code (Uniform) Policy will be addressed through communication with the House Leader, Principal Class and parents/carers.

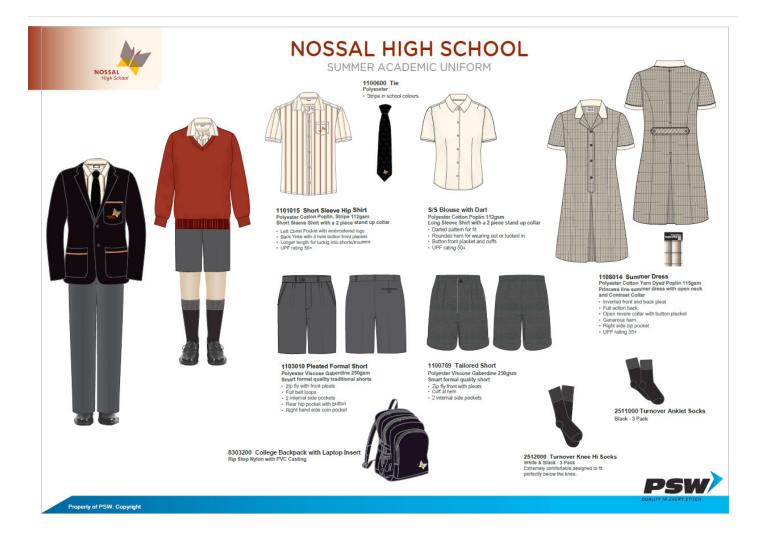
Summer Academic Uniform - Term 1 and Term 4

Students select from:

- Nossal summer dress/shorts, worn at a length of at most one visualised horizontal hand above the knee
- Nossal grey trousers
- If wearing trousers or shorts, students also require a Nossal shirt. Choose from:
 - Short-sleeved Nossal shirt may be worn untucked (in summer only)
 - Long-sleeved Nossal shirt (either ecru or striped) must be worn tucked in

In addition, all students require

- Nossal tie (optional with the short-sleeved shirt, compulsory with the long-sleeved shirt)
- Nossal jumper
- Nossal blazer (compulsory)
- Plain black anklet or knee-high socks (compulsory, no visible logos)
- Plain black leather lace up school shoes (no T-bars or slipper-style shoes)



Winter Academic Uniform - Term 2 and Term 3

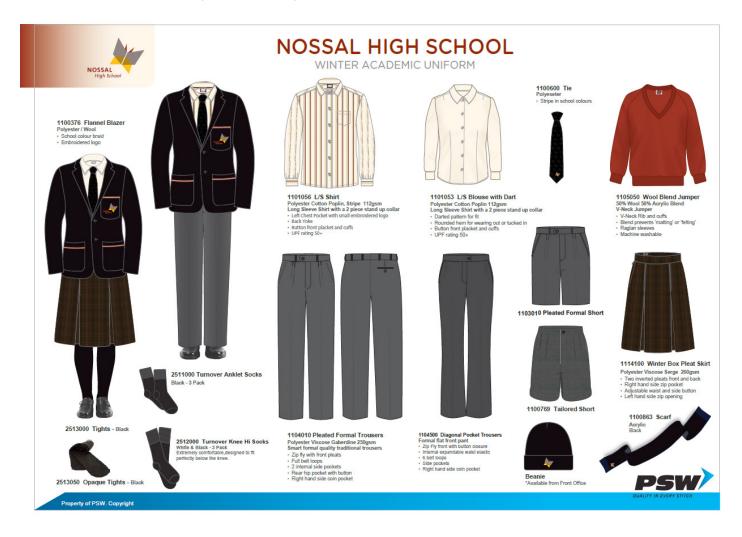
Students select from:

- Nossal winter skirt/shorts, worn at a length of at most one visualised horizontal hand above the knee
- Nossal grey trousers

In addition, students will require a:

- Long or short-sleeved Nossal shirt (either ecru or striped) must be worn tucked in
- Nossal tie (compulsory)
- Nossal jumper
- Nossal blazer (compulsory)
- Plain black anklet or knee-high socks (no visible logos) or opaque black tights.
- Plain black leather lace up school shoes (no T-bars or slipper-style shoes).

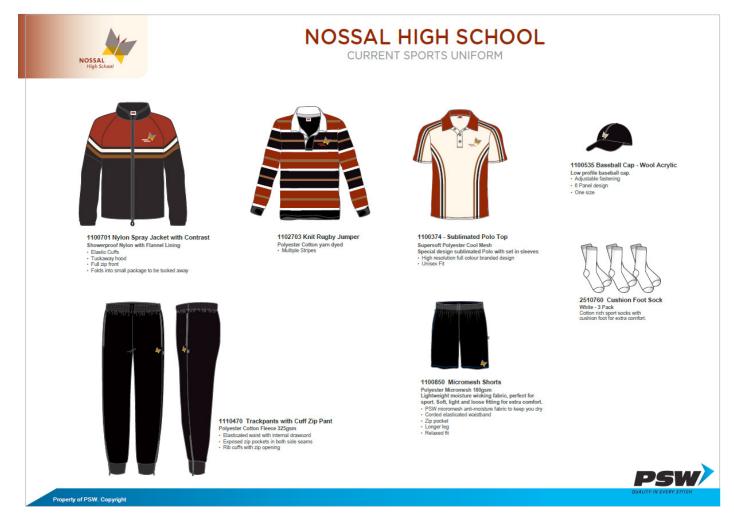
Students are permitted to wear layers and long sleeve tops under their school uniform for additional warmth, **as long as these additional garments are not visible**. Shirts are to be worn completely buttoned with the tie neatly and correctly positioned.



Sports Uniform

All students are required to wear sports shoes with non-marking soles during Physical Education classes. Ankle boots, t-bars, slip-ons or slipper style shoes are unacceptable due to the risk they pose in causing injury. Nossal High School Sports Uniform is as follows:

- Sports shoes with non-marking soles
- Nossal t-shirt
- Nossal rugby jumper
- Nossal micromesh shorts (NB: the hem of the shorts is not to be taken up)
- Nossal track pants
- Nossal spray jacket
- Nossal baseball cap
- Sport socks (of any kind)
- Skins or other compression sportswear may be worn during sporting activities but **must not be visible at times other than during sport activities. They must not be worn to, from or around school.**
- Students are expected to wear the Nossal Sport Uniform or the Nossal-approved Competition Uniform (supplied by the school) when they are representing the school in sporting competitions.



STUDENTS' HAIR

Hair must be neat and tidy at all times.

- Hair accessories must be black, rust or ecru coloured only.
- Extreme hairstyles or unnatural hair colours are unacceptable.
- Practical classes require students to completely tie all their hair back in either a ponytail or a bun, due to safety requirements. This includes, but is not limited to Science, PE, Systems and Food Technology.

ACCESSORIES/JEWELLERY

Jewellery must be simple, unobtrusive and appropriate to wear with the school uniform.

- A watch and small plain sleepers or studs, for those who have pierced ears, are acceptable items of jewellery.
- A single nose stud may be worn.
- Long, dangling items, bangles, and the wearing of hand jewellery during practical classes is not permitted as they are a safety hazard.
- Plain black scarves and gloves and plain black hats/beanies can be worn with either academic or sports uniform in winter months (Terms 2 & 3)
- Hats with logos (other than the Nossal High school hat) are not acceptable; hats must be removed when indoors.

MAKE UP & NAIL POLISH

Nail polish and excessive make-up is not acceptable; Students will be asked to remove nail polish/ excessive make up.

SCHOOL BAGS

Students are expected to utilise an official Nossal High School bag. This is a black, monogrammed, ergonomically designed backpack.

DRESS CODE ON FREE DRESS DAYS AND AT SCHOOL SPORTS CARNIVALS (Swimming, Athletics etc)

Dress code on Free Dress Days and at School Sports Carnivals (Swimming, Athletics) should:

- promote a sense of identity and pride in NHS and should be consistent with the values of the school associated with wearing the school uniform
- ensure students' appearance reflects the expectations of their school community
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students with the wider community
- enhance individual student safety and group security
- ensure all students are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- prepare students for the expectations of workplaces
- encourage students to present themselves appropriately for a particular role

The NHS Dress Code recognises that the school is a workplace environment. In alignment with the above guidelines the following attire is not suitable for the school/workplace:

- revealing bathers/swimwear which are not suitable for swimming
- thongs and footwear that is not enclosed as this poses a significant health and safety risk and slipping danger
- singlet tops as these do not provide adequate protection from the sun and potential sunburn
- shorts/skirts that are more than one horizontal hand above the knee
- tops that show bare midriff
- t-shirts/sweaters/tops that have offensive images, languages or slogans.