



School Uniform Policy: SHOES

The NSW Department of Education and Training's guidelines in relation to safety and footwear in school, under the 'Occupational Health and Safety Requirements', prohibit students participating in practical activities in school if not wearing substantial footwear deemed safe by the Department. Unsafe shoes include those with openings; platform or high heels; shoes made from non-protective, open-weave materials such as canvas and cottons or similar; and other materials that do not provide adequate protection. We at Kotara High School (the Principal, teaching staff and P&C) have developed a uniform policy, in conjunction with the Department and its OHS guidelines, ensuring safety and comfort for our students. School shoes are to be all black; the entire foot is to be enclosed by the shoe, including the upper section of the foot; the shoe is to have a stout sole; and the shoe is to have low heels. We are proud of our school and school uniform, and have high expectations of our students wearing our uniform in its entirety and with pride. This information is to help guide you what shoes are allowed and what are not. We thank you for upholding and embracing our uniform policy.

Unsafe footwear could prevent your child participating in required lesson activities.

SPORTS SHOES

Sports and P.E. shoes have similar restrictions placed upon them as our black school shoe. These shoes are also worn in the classrooms and school grounds, therefore, are applicable to the Department's OHS guidelines. The Kotara High School uniform policy allows more flexibility in the choice of free colour for Sports and P.E. shoes. However, all other requirements are the same as our uniform policy for the black school shoe. Please keep in mind that choosing the correct sports shoes for your child will enhance their physical activity and provide sound protection for their feet and body

Acceptable/Footwear



Unsafe/Unacceptable Footwear







Sports Shoes

Acceptable

Unacceptable



Acceptable Girls Shoes

These shoes are acceptable footwear for girls but may not be acceptable in practical rooms. Students will need to check with their teachers or the Head Teacher of that faculty.

