

16. DRESS CODE POLICY

RATIONALE

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

AIMS

- To promote equality amongst all students
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community

GUIDELINES FOR ACTION

1. A Dress Code shall be maintained that provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
2. All students in Prep to Year 6 adhere to the School's Dress Code.
3. The Dress Code applies during school hours, and when students are on school excursions or sporting activities (unless otherwise permitted by the Principal)
4. The wearing of 'sun-smart' hats is compulsory from 1st September – 30th April (see hats). Hats are not to be worn inside.
5. The Student Dress Code will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year.
6. The Principal is responsible for implementation of the Dress Code Policy. Breaches of this policy will be treated as a Misdemeanour, consistent with the school's Welfare Policy and Program Guidelines.
7. Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code Policy due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition, must apply in writing to the Principal
8. The only logo permitted on all clothing is the school logo

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The "Student Dress Code" consists of the following items:

BOYS

Red polo shirt or skivvy
All black shorts, pants or tracksuit pants
Red crew necked Windcheater
School bomber jacket (optional)

Girls

Red Polo shirt or skivvy
Red & White gingham dress
All black shorts, tracksuit pants or pants
All black skirt or skorts
Red crew necked Windcheater
School bomber jacket (optional)

Please note: Denim pants are **not** acceptable

T-shirts (red, white or black) & polo shirts and skivvies (white or black) shall be permitted until the commencement of the 2009 school year.

Footwear – Black or brown shoes or boots, black or white runners (predominantly), toe-covering sandals in black, white or brown.

Socks – Red, white or black (predominantly) i.e. that the major colour is ‘black’, ‘white’ or ‘red’, but some other colours appear on the sock – e.g. a white sports sock with green or gold band at the top is acceptable.

Scarves – must be in school colours

Optional Wear – Year 6 Windcheater, or polo shirt (for current year, as approved by the Principal), to be worn by Year 6 students only.

Headwear

1. **Hats** – From 1st September – 30th April all students in Prep to Year 6 are required to wear a hat. Hats, such as a Legionnaire’s or slouch hat, must protect student’s head, face, neck and ears. **The hat must be red.** From 1st May – 31st August, Beanies are permitted. Beanies must be red or black.
2. All headwear must be in school colours.
Baseball caps are not permitted,

Jewellery

Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches, are the only acceptable jewellery, e.g. large hoops and earrings that dangle from the ear may not be worn, for safety reasons

Cosmetics – Cosmetics may not be worn at school, unless for designated occasions, with the approval of the Principal.

Reviewed: August 2006

Published in Newsletter 17th November 2006

Ratified: 21 November 2006

Implementation from: 30 January 2007