

LOCKWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY AND DRESS CODE



POLICY STATEMENT

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.

IMPLEMENTATION

School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities and is reasonably priced.

The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.

Watches, stud and sleeper earrings are the only acceptable jewellery.

Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.

Bucket or wide brimmed hats, consistent with our Sunsmart policy, must be worn in Terms 1 and 4.

Parents and Friends Association will operate a second hand uniform store for parents.

Closed, solid footwear must be worn – sports shoes, leather school shoes or blundstone-style boots are all acceptable. Whilst shoe colour is not specified, overly bright shoes should be avoided.

The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year and in the enrolment package.

School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.

Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms for families experiencing economic hardship.

Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the School Council.

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year policy review cycle, or more often if necessary due to changes in regulations or circumstances.

Key References:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/management/Pages/legislation.aspx>

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/management/Pages/developing.aspx>

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UNIFORMS ARE COMPULSORY

Our school colours are bottle green and gold. Uniforms can be purchased from school, locally or homemade. Uniform is to be worn in a neat acceptable fashion and must be clean and in good repair.

Head:

Green bucket or wide brim hats must be worn in Terms 1 and 4 in line with our sunsmart policy

Hair:

Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back. This is to stop the spread of headlice. Students who do not have their hair tied back will be given the option of tying it back themselves or having their parents called to tie back the hair.

Upper Body:

Polo shirt or skivvy in green or gold.

Windcheater/Polar Fleece in green.

Tracksuit, Rugby top, warm up jacket or bomber jacket in green and gold.

Dress in green check (summer)

Green polo shirt with school emblem for excursions and sports

NB: Grade 6 students organise an alternate polo shirt to identify them as the senior students of the school.

Lower Body:

Unisex shorts in black or green.

Unisex track suit pants, leggings or 360's (Cotton Drill elastic waist) in black or green.

Feet:

Closed, solid footwear must be worn – sports shoes, leather school shoes or blundstone-style boots are all acceptable. Whilst shoe colour is not specified, overly bright shoes should be avoided.

Due to Workplace Health and Safety regulations, student's footwear must provide adequate protection and cover the entire foot.

Jewellery and Make-Up:

Watches, stud and sleeper earrings are the only acceptable jewellery.

Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.

Out-of-Uniform Days:

Certain days, including the last day of each term, are designated to be non-uniform days and students may come to school in casual attire. On these days, shoulders and midriff need to be covered, so singlet tops/dresses and crop tops are NOT permitted. Due to safety regulations, thongs should not be worn.

Uniform Purchase:

Order forms are sent home with the Newsletter approximately three weeks before the end of each term.

General:

Art Smocks - ALL children from Prep to Grade 6 MUST WEAR a protective smock for art work (an old shirt makes an excellent smock). Children should bring their own art smock to keep at school

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY

Students who have a credible reason for being unable to wear their uniform, are required to bring a note from their parent/caregiver indicating when the student will be able to resume wearing school uniform.

A penalty may be imposed for students who do not comply with the Dress Code., e.g. playground restriction, Reflection/Detention Time. Continued breaches will incur a stronger penalty. Eg. Not allowed to attend sporting days.