

Forrestdale Primary School

Dress Code



CONTEXT

A school dress code:

- Fosters and enhances the public image of the school, building an irresistible brand and team spirit.
- Ensures students are dressed for specific school activities and encourages equity among students.
- Clearly identifies students when they represent or participate in excursions or at school social functions.

DRESS CODE INCLUSIONS

- Children are to adhere to school colours of navy, aqua and orange.
- Tops are to be official school polo shirts or a plain navy polo shirt.
- Skirts, tracksuit pants, slacks, skorts and shorts should be navy and worn at hip height or above.
- Navy only leggings can be worn under skirts, sport skirts, skorts or shorts.
- Fleecy Jumper/zip up jacket should be the navy uniform jacket. No hoods permitted.
- Appropriate enclosed footwear with socks or strapped sandals, sneakers or shoes.
- School faction-coloured shirts for faction sports events and the day their class participates in PE.
- Hair of both sexes is to be tied back and kept clear of the child's eyes.
- Watches, sleepers or small appropriate ear studs. Front or back of ear studs cannot protrude further than 7mm from ear.
- Medical Alert bracelet, Medical Alert necklaces and /or Medical Alert bangles.
- Students are to wear school reversible bucket hats for all outdoor activities. No Hat Shade Play.

DRESS CODE EXCLUSIONS

- Skate shoes, thongs, slip-ons, ugg boots, rubber boots, football boots in class, high heels and platform shoes.
- Jewellery and make-up including nail polish are excluded.
- No caps or non-school issued hats are allowed.
- Brief shorts, bike pants, board shorts or denim shorts.
- Clothing with fashion logo's.
- Clothing with vulgar, lewd or offensive slogans or pictures.
- Tee shirts and long pants not in block school colours including such things as: denim, textured material, patterned material, jeans, camouflage clothing, checked shirts or long coloured multi striped socks.

ADVICE TO STUDENTS ON DRESS CODE

- Forrestdale Primary School Bucket hat is compulsory all year.
- School uniforms may be ordered through the Forrestdale Primary School P&C.
- Parents are to be notified of the Dress Code on admission and after any changes are made.

MODIFICATION TO DRESS CODE

- Students who for Religious, Health or Cultural reasons may need to modify the school dress code are required to make an appointment with the Principal to negotiate alternatives.
- Parents are required to substantiate the required modification.
- Staff will be informed of these students.
- It is highly desirable that Kindergarten follow the dress code.

SANCTIONS FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

Students not following the dress code will receive:

- Counselling from teaching staff on the benefits of a dress code and letters or phone call to the parents.
- If a child is not wearing school colours, they may be offered a loan of school colours for the day, if available.
- A pass for an agreed length of time for dress modification.
- Where the Principal is of the opinion that: the kind of clothes worn by a student, or if the hairstyle does not comply with the Health Department requirements, the Principal **may exclude** the student from any particular school activity, in accordance with regulations supported by the Education Act. **These include students representing or participating at sports meetings, incursions, excursions and school activities.**
- To avoid sanctions and exclusions from activities, children may be offered appropriate clothes to wear for the duration of the event, given a supply of uniforms are available.
- Loss of good standing??

POSITIVE REWARDS OF WEARING THE SCHOOL UNIFORM

- Positive recognition by administration and teachers.
- The knowledge and pride the students have about belonging to Forrestdale Primary School.
- Whole school incentive for children abiding by dress code.

Ratified by the School Board:

Effective date: 06 December 2022.