



Urquhart Park Primary School

UNIFORM 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 Uniform 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:

- Our uniform should be proudly worn and maintained in good condition
- Urquhart Primary School will provide support to families in need of assistance in regard to uniform requirements. Parents and carers are encouraged to contact the School as required.
- After consultation, the School Council has developed a Dress Code 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.
- School Council requires the principal and staff to be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code.
- Uniforms will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- All uniform items should be clearly named to assist the timely return of lost items.
- ALL students are required to be in full uniform during the school day, including travelling to and from School and on excursions, unless otherwise specified.
- On rare occasions when an item of uniform is not able to be worn, the parent/guardian should provide a written explanation via the School diary.
- Students who are out of uniform without written explanation from parents/guardians will be reminded by the classroom teacher regarding school expectations. This will be followed by a note to parents in the School diary. Ongoing refusal to wear the uniform may result in a copy of the Uniform Policy being sent home and/or a request that parents meet with the Principal or Assistant Principal.
- 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.
- Arrangements can be made to support students with the supply of uniforms e.g. via State Schools Relief, 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 for consideration.

References: Exec Memo 95/022 – Student Dress Codes
DET – School Policy Advisory Guide

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

Uniform Expectations

Jewellery and cosmetics

- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.

Hair and Headwear

- Hair must be of natural colours, and so, extreme hair colours (e.g. green, pink or purple rinses) are not permitted.
- Extreme hairstyles (e.g. spikes, Mohawks or hair tattooing) are not permitted.
- Students with hair below collar length must wear it tied securely. This is an Occupational Health and Safety requirement.
- Red, blue or white are the permissible head band or hair tie colours.
- The only acceptable headwear is sun smart hats consistent with our Sun Smart policy or navy blue beanies. Broad brimmed hats must be worn outside in Terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside.

Girls' Uniform:

- Available from school suppliers- Beleza

Winter

- Winter pinafore, red polo top (long or short sleeved).
- Pullover- red rugby jumper, striped rugby jumper, red track suit top or blue striped bomber jacket
- Navy blue track pants
- Navy tights (NOT leggings and not black) are to be worn.
- White socks
- Black school shoes or appropriate sports shoes. Slip on shoes should not be worn.

Summer

- UPPS summer dress (available at Beleza) or navy shorts or navy skirts
- White socks
- Blue, red or white ribbons (not coloured head bands)
- Black school shoes or appropriate sports shoes. Slip on shoes should not be worn.

Boys' Uniform:

- Available from school suppliers: Beleza

Winter

- Red polo top (long or short sleeved).
- Pullover- red rugby jumper, striped rugby jumper, red track suit top or blue striped bomber jacket
- Navy blue track pants
- Black school shoes or appropriate sports shoes
- White, black or navy socks

Summer

- Navy blue shorts
- Red polo top (long or short sleeved).
- White, black or navy blue socks
- Black school shoes or appropriate sports shoes

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in September, 2016