

UNIFORM POLICY

Purpose

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.

Aim of Policy

- 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 community.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Policy

- After consultation with the school community and the Student Representative Council, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and winter uniforms, as well as sports uniforms will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- On 'special "free dress days" the uniform code will not apply, however students are still required to adhere to OHS policy and Sunsmart policy on out of uniform day.
- Year 6 students have the opportunity to purchase a commemorative garment. These are not compulsory. Students who choose to wear these tops need to treat them as part of their uniform.
- House T-shirts are a part of the official school uniform. Students can wear T-shirts that have the House Logo printed on them to school each Friday and they can be worn to House sporting events, such as the Athletics, School Cross Country.
- An alternative Prep t-shirt is provided to new enrolments to wear during transition and Term 1.
- Sports t-shirt will be available for students in Grades 3-6.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewelry.
- Extreme hair colours (e.g. Green, pink, purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (e.g. Mohawks) are not permitted.
- Other than clear polish, cosmetics may not be

worn.

- The only hats permitted that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart policy. They must be worn outside from 1st September- 30th April. Hats are not to be worn inside. Sunglasses are encouraged during warmer months during outside play, although this is a parental decision.
- The student Dress Code will be published regularly in the school's newsletter and website.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship. Good quality secondhand uniforms can be purchased from the Kerrimuir Primary School uniform shop.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply to the Principal for consideration.

The role of the school

The Principal is responsible for implementation of the Dress Code Policy. The Principal will communicate with parents about students who are out of uniform without a note.

The role of parents

It is the role of parents to familiarise themselves with the uniform policy and to purchase the correct uniform. When a child is out of uniform a parent should attempt to provide them with a uniform as close to the correct uniform as possible.

The role of students

When a student is wearing the Kerrimuir PS uniform they should take pride in their appearance and remember that they are representatives of the school. Appropriate behaviour should be displayed at all times while wearing the Kerrimuir PS uniform. This includes when commuting to and from school.

Review Cycle

This policy was last updated in February 2022 and is scheduled for review in February 2025.