



ASHBURTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY

1. Rationale:

Ashburton Primary School believes that all students should be dressed appropriately in school uniform. 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.

2. Goals:

- 2.1 To promote equality amongst all students.
- 2.2 To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- 2.3 To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- 2.4 To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.
- 2.5 To ensure students are dressed safely & appropriately for school activities.

3. Goals:

- 3.1 After consultation with the school community, Ashburton Primary School has developed a dress code that provides choice for students, allows for students to engage in the many varied school activities and caters for the financial circumstances of families
- 3.2 Approved items of school uniform are listed in the Information Booklet available from the school office. The Student Uniform Policy, including details of uniform items and places and times of purchase, will be published at the start of each year.
- 3.3 The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions, unless otherwise advised.
- 3.4 Students should wear appropriate black footwear, shoes, boots, sneakers or closed toes sandals.

- 3.5 Students wearing coloured sneakers as footwear at school, other than at sports times, should bring an explanatory note to their class teacher.
- 3.6 Students should use the approved school back pack.
- 3.7 Summer and winter uniforms, as well as sports uniforms will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- 3.8 The only jewellery permitted to be worn is a watch, small plain sleepers, small plain gold/silver studs and Medalert jewellery. Charity wrist bands can be worn for the period of sale, school made projects can be worn for the term of the project. Parents may seek an exemption from the Principal for a specific religious purpose.
- 3.9 Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and extreme hairstyles (are not permitted. Long hair should be tied back. Hair accessories are to be black, white, yellow or green.
- 3.10 Make up and nail polish are not to be worn at school.
- 3.11 The only hat that is acceptable is a school approved hat (green legionnaire or broad brimmed) consistent with our Sunsmart policy. They must be worn outside in Terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside.
- 3.12 School Uniform may be purchased from the School Uniform Shop.
- 3.13 Should families have difficulty meeting the cost of uniform items, arrangements should be made with the Principal and convenor of the uniform shop to supply uniform to those concerned.
- 3.14 The Principal and staff will be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Engagement & Wellbeing Policy.

This policy was ratified by School council on the 18th June 2013.