

UNIFORM AND 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 Dress Code.

Parents are reminded that the school uniform is compulsory for ALL children attending University Park Primary School.

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:

- After consultation with the school community, 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 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.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Long hair should be tied up and off the face for health and safety reasons.
- Makeup is not considered part of our school uniform.
- The only hat that is acceptable is the school hat, consistent with our Sunsmart Policy. They must be worn outside in Terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside.
- The School will operate a uniform store for parents as required.
- 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.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.

UNIFORM ITEMS

* **These items are only available from the uniform shop**

- * Polo shirt, long or short sleeve with school logo
- * School bomber jacket
- * Year 6 polo shirt, short sleeve
- * School dress
- * School hat, broad brimmed
- * Hijabs (headscarves) and headbands (**in school colours**) are available from the Office
- * Fleecy vest (with school logo) (**black**), available from Term 2.

* **These items may be purchased from retail outlets**

- Shorts (**black**)
- Pants or tracksuit pants (**black**). No jeans
- Bicycle shorts (**black/short**) may be worn under the school dress
- Tights (**black**)
- Pleated netball skirt (**black**)
- Socks (**short/ white**)
- Shoes/runners (**black**)

NB: Runners that provide arch & ankle support should be worn on sports days./ **Black** footwear will be compulsory from the start of Term 2.

The following items are not permissible and are NOT to be worn under the uniform.

- long sleeve skivvy/ t-shirts
- leggings

Evaluation:

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

This policy was last ratified by School Council in February 2013