



Dress Code

RATIONALE

The Palmyra Primary School community, together with the School Council has established a student dress code believing it:

- is a visible representation of the standards expected of students and plays an important role in promoting a positive public image of the School;
- creates a sense of identity and pride among students and wider school community, a school culture in which every student experiences a sense of belonging;
- encourages equality among students;
- encourages children to recognise that within the community there are expectations about how we dress for certain situations (eg work, school, formal functions, and play);
- provides convenience to parents;
- ensures students are safely dressed for specific school activities.

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AIMS

This document provides guidelines for the implementation of the Department of Education Dress Code for Students in Public Schools Policy. It provides parents with clear expectations for appropriate dress, and sets out agreed measures for supporting students who are not following dress code, and grounds for modification or exemption for individuals.

GUIDELINES

- Acceptance of the dress code is assumed upon enrolment at Palmyra Primary School.
- Implementation of the Code is the responsibility of staff, parents and students.
- Exemption/modification to the code for individuals will be considered for religious or health reasons. Parents need to make an appointment with the Principal to gain agreement prior to carrying out modification/exemption.
- Students are expected to wear school uniform to school each day unless provided with an exemption.

AVAILAILITY OF DRESS CODE ITEMS

- Specific items of clothing can be purchased from the School Uniform Shop, run by the Palmyra Primary School P&C.
- The Uniform Shop will provide suitable, second hand items at a reduced price when available.
- Items may also be purchased from alternative sources.

NON COMPLIANCE

The following approach will be used for students not following the dress code:

- Discussion with their teacher and/or the Leadership Team.
- Parents invited to support school and their child in implementing the Code.
- Assistance/support in obtaining suitable clothing will be made available as required.
- A modification to the Code can be issued by the Principal for an agreed length of time.
- Students consistently non-compliant to the Dress Code will be supported via the School's Managing Student Behaviour Guideline and may be denied the opportunity to attend activities that are not essential to the educational program, or events where the student is representing the school including sports competitions, excursions or school performances.

Parents, staff and students have worked together to develop a dress code for Palmyra Primary School students which is detailed below. There is a very strong shared commitment amongst staff, students and parents that wearing school uniform is an expectation in our school and promotes a positive school culture.

Clothing Item	Acceptable	Not-Acceptable
Shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School Polo Shirt with School logo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non-school coloured shirts - Shirts with stripes/patterns, logos, advertising, pictures, branding
Pants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Royal Blue pants - Royal Blue shorts - Royal Blue tracksuit pants - Royal Blue jazz pants / leggings / tights 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non-Royal Blue pants - Pants that catch under the shoes - Denim jeans or shorts - Bike shorts without a skirt/skort/short over the top
Skirts/Skorts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Royal Blue skirt - Royal Blue skort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non-Royal Blue skirts/skorts - Patterned/branded skirts/skorts
Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Royal Blue jumper/ zip-up with School logo. - Plain Royal Blue jumper/zip-up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non-Royal Blue jumpers - Patterned/branded jumpers
Dress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blue, white and red gingham School dress with logo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dresses other than the school dress - School dress in non-school colours
Winter attire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Long sleeved shirts worn under school shirts in un-patterned red, white or blue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bulky jackets/coats in class - Mittens, gloves, scarves at school
Footwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Covered footwear: sneakers or school shoes - Sandals with a strap at the back - Plain red, white or blue socks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thongs, Crocs - Backless shoes - High heels and wedges - Ugg boots - Above knee socks
Headwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Full brimmed school hat to be worn during sport, PE lessons, and recess/lunch - Culturally appropriate headwear in Royal Blue or white. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Beanies - Neck scarves around the neck or over the head - Hoodies (except leavers)
Jewellery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Small sleepers and stud earrings only for pierced ears. - Watches - Smart devices as per school policy - All jewellery to be removed for contact sport. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dangling or large sleeper earrings - Long or large chain around neck or wrist - Valuable items at risk of damage, loss, or theft

Hair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hair long enough to be tied up, to be tied up. - Hair accessories should be hat friendly and plain. Red, white blue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extreme hairstyle and colouring (eg brightly coloured hair) - Any hair accessory that can be easily broken, or will prevent the use of a school hat.
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clear lip balm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any item, logo, language symbol, or jewellery which is offensive or promotes an inappropriate or gang image - All make-up including lip gloss and nail varnish
Faction T-Shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plain t-shirt in correct faction colour - Standard school pants/shorts/skirts/skorts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patterned/branded t-shirts - T-shirts with logos Non-school pants/shorts/skirts/skorts
Kindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coloured Kindy Shirt - School Hat 	
Leavers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Full school uniform as above - Leavers' hoodie - Leavers' polo 	
Choir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choir shirts as provided by the school - Black pants - Plain black socks - Black closed toe shoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non choir shirt - Pants any colour other than black

CONCLUSION

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following Policies and Guidelines.

Palmyra Primary School Sun Protection Guideline

Department of Education Dress Code for Students in Public Schools Policy and Procedures

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