

Little Grove PRIMARY SCHOOL

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A Proud Independent Public School

UNIFORM CODE

POLICY

This Little Grove Primary School Uniform Code Policy has been approved by the School Board, and is in line with policy requirements of the WA Department of Education.

Students are encouraged to be proud of their school, and can further promote a positive image by wearing the school uniform. It also helps to create a sense of identity among students.

Fashion elitism needs to be avoided due to pressure placed on parents to purchase expensive clothing, and unwanted peer pressures on the students while at school.

The safety of students is more easily managed by staff as students are easier to identify, and can then wear clothing appropriate for the school environment. This applies for activities undertaken within the school, and also external activities such as sports carnivals at other locations.

Students learn the importance of being well groomed at school, and how this can benefit later in life when they become part of the wider community as an adult.

All students are expected to follow the uniform code unless an exemption has been granted. Support and assistance are provided where there are difficulties in complying with school uniform and dress code requirements.

NON-COMPLIANCE

Students and their families who do not comply with the requirements are counselled and their concerns resolved where possible, which may involve referral to the school uniform advisory panel (if necessary).

Where all other avenues for achieving compliance are unsuccessful, and provided it can be demonstrated that financial reasons are not a contributing factor, the Principal can apply those sanctions prescribed in the legislation. The sanctions must be applied in line with the processes approved by the School Board.

These sanctions are (Regulation 36 (2)):

- preventing the student from attending any activity in which the student would have been representing the school;or
- preventing the student from attending or participating in any school activity which, in the opinion of the Principal, is not part of the educational program.

The Principal cannot apply suspensions, exclusions, or prevent non complying students from attending or participating in any school activity which, in the opinion of the Principal, is an essential part of the student's educational program, or apply sanctions that damage their external career prospects (such as negative mentions in references or school reports).

CLOTHING

The following range of clothing has been approved and is available from the Albany Permapleat Uniform Outlet. Clothing which is of the same style and colour (must be navy blue) may be purchased from alternate sources.

Uniform

- Polo shirt jade with school crest
- Shorts navy blue (no longer than knee length)
- Cargo/Track pants navy blue
- Dress green/navy tartan with school crest (optional)
- Skirt green/navy tartan, pleated **(optional)** (with black/blue sport pants)
- Zip jacket or windcheater top navy blue (crest preferable)
- Faction Polo shirt school crest printed on relevant faction Gold, Blue, Red
 Faction shirts are expected to be worn only on Physical Education or Sport Days
- Hat 8-10cm broad brimmed hat or legionnaires cap in navy blue

Interschool sports shirt – supplied by P&C committee. (To be worn at Interschool Sports events only)

Footwear

Covered shoes or sandals which are firmly attached by buckle or other means are approved. For sporting activities appropriate footwear is essential.

Hat

An approved hat must be worn for all outdoor activities. An 8-10cm broad brimmed hat or legionnaires cap in navy blue. A "No Hat, No Play" policy will apply all year round.

Special Events Dress Code

When students are representing our school for special events, occasions and excursions they are required to wear their Jade polo shirt with navy pants/shorts.

Graduating Students

Graduating students may wear the **approved** Graduation (Leavers) Shirt instead of the jade polo shirt.

Jewellery and Make up

Students are not permitted to wear makeup to school. Jewellery must be limited to stud or sleeper type earrings and a watch. Dangly earrings and necklaces are not safe for wear whilst participating in sporting activities and should not be worn.

Note:

- 1. Sports shirts are not part of daily school clothing.
- 2. Denim is not part of the school dress code and must not be worn.
- 3. Leggings, tights or stockings are not part of the school uniform. However, they can be worn for warmth under the uniform shorts, skirts or dress. These must be navy blue in colour.
- 4. Headbands are not part of the school uniform. However, can be worn to keep student's hair away from their face. These headbands must be plain navy blue or black in colour.

5. Long hair must be tied up to keep it away from student's faces/eyes.

INFORMING PARENTS/CARERS

The Uniform Code Policy is available to parents/carers on request from the school office or alternatively available on the school website. An outline of the Uniform Code is included in the School Information Booklet which is given to parents/carers when enrolling the student. Information will also be provided regarding where items of clothing can be purchased.

CHANGES TO THE DRESS CODE

Any changes to the dress code must be endorsed by the School Board after consultation with the staff and the P&C. The Student Leader group (whom represent the students) may be consulted where appropriate.

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