

SCHOOL DRESS CODE



Pimpama State School is a uniform school and a school dress code has been established in response to a growing student, parent and teacher population requesting guidelines, a position affirmed by our Parents' and Citizens' Association. Clear guidelines needed to be set in relation to our school uniform, those elements that are compulsory due to workplace health and safety and those that we will encourage as a school community.

In formulating this dress code, wide consultation was undertaken of all stakeholders, both through surveys and group meetings. Everyone had an opportunity to have input into this document and children need to wear school uniform that is available from the school uniform shop.

As a school community we are aware that a variety of genuine cultural, medical and religious beliefs may impact upon this dress code and discussion between the Principal and caregivers of students re any situation will aim to negotiate a compromise. We believe that by encouraging students to wear a school uniform we will promote:

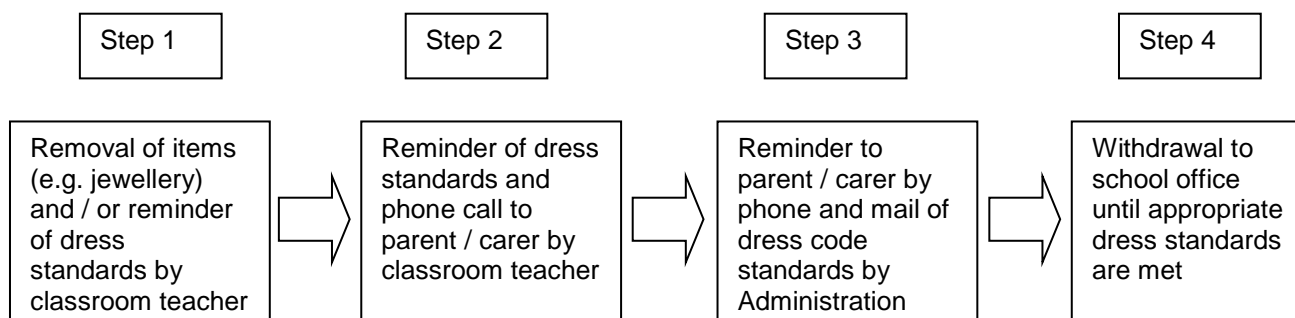
- (i) **a supportive environment fostering a sense of belonging;**
- (ii) **an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school;**
- (iii) **mutual respect among individuals at school by minimising visible evidence of economic, class or social difference.**

School Uniform

Students are expected to wear the school uniform at all times and to be well groomed.

EXPECTATION	BOYS	GIRLS
Summer Uniform		
Shorts / Skorts	Royal blue shorts	Royal blue skorts/ Royal blue shorts
Shirts	Checked dress shirt (unisex) Royal blue and gold sport shirt (unisex)	Checked dress shirt (unisex) Royal blue and gold sport shirt (unisex)
Winter Uniform		
Jumpers	Pimpama State School – Royal blue and gold baseball jacket Hoods are NOT permitted	Pimpama State School – Royal blue and gold baseball jacket Hoods are NOT permitted
Pants	Royal blue bootleg pants	Royal blue bootleg pants
Socks	White socks	White socks / Navy Blue Stockings (Winter)
Hats	Royal blue wide-brimmed or legionnaire hat with school emblem	
Shoes	Covered black shoes with black laces, no ankle length shoes Multi-coloured shoes and laces are NOT permitted	
Hair	Neatly presented with no coloured dye Hair tracks, rat tails, and Mohawks are NOT permitted. No pony-tails for boys. Preference towards royal blue hair ties	
Presentation	Neat and tidy presentation with no visible body art (including make-up) or nail polish	
Jewellery	One pair of sleepers or studs in the ears and watch only. No other jewellery acceptable	

Failure to wear correct uniform



Wearing of incorrect uniform may result in child being excluded from external school activity

Clothing with inappropriate slogans and / or insignia will not be tolerated in any circumstances. Parent / carer will be required to bring a change of clothing to school. Child will complete school work in office area until this time.

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Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open each Wednesday from 8:15am till 8:45am. Small quantities of uniforms are held in stock, orders can be placed and will be processed as quickly as possible. We aim to encourage all families to donate to the uniform shop any second hand uniforms in good order so as to provide a range of quality second hand items.

Encouragement

Our aim is to encourage all children to wear their uniform on a regular basis. The assistance of caregivers is an important component in successfully accomplishing this target. We will hold free dress days as a way of rewarding all children for regular uniform wearing. Individual and class recognition of regular uniform wearing is also an option for encouragement.

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Watches

Students are allowed to wear one watch which may need to be removed during physical education if contact sports are being taught.

Hair

Hair should be neat and tidy at all times. We encourage the use of school coloured hair accessories.

Extreme hairstyles such as Mohawks are not permitted. No pony-tails for boys allowed.

Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back at all times.

Jewellery

Students are permitted to wear one pair of studs or sleepers only. Under Workplace, Health and Safety Legislation and due to the risks associated with physical education and the playground environment, necklaces, bracelets, anklets, rings or other body piercing are not permitted to be worn. (Medical bracelets/necklaces are an exception to be discussed with the Principal)

Make-up

Make-up and nail polish is not to be worn to school. Make-up, nail polish and spray deodorant are not to be brought to school. (Roll on deodorant is acceptable)

Assembly Days

All children must wear the full school dress uniform, including check shirt, socks, shorts (boys), skorts (girls) and appropriate winter wear when required, on Assembly Days.

Excursions

All children attending a school excursion must wear the full school dress uniform, including check shirt, school hat, socks, shorts (boys), skorts (girls) and appropriate winter wear if required. This is a safety issue as teachers must be able to recognise the students under their care easily and immediately, experience has proven that if all children are dressed the same then this becomes a significantly easier task.

Sun Safety

In accordance with our Sun Safety Policy children must wear either a broad-brimmed or legionnaire style hat, a shirt with a collar and sleeves. We adopt a no hat/no play and no collar/no play approach to Sun Safety. Our Sun Safety Policy has been approved by the Queensland Cancer Foundation and meets all requirements of the Workplace, Health and Safety Legislation.

Special Day Clothing (Free Dress Days etc)

In some circumstances, students are permitted to wear alternate clothing as directed by the Principal. Students are still required to adhere to the sun-safe policy – no singlets or sleeveless shirts. Closed-in shoes required. Large, offensive or socially unacceptable slogans will not be tolerated.

Conclusion

At Pimpama we aim to instil pride in being a member of our school and a part of this pride is developed when wearing the uniform. We seek the support of each caregiver to encourage their children to wear the full school uniform on a daily basis by providing their children with uniforms and promoting the pride that each child should feel as a part of a great school.