



WILLOW GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Introduction

Willow Grove Primary School Council is committed to the wearing of school uniform by all of its students. We believe that a uniform dress code encourages students to take pride in their own appearance, instils a recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community and assists in developing pride in representing Willow Grove Primary School.

Issues of equality, health and safety and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the uniform policy.

Purpose

This policy is based on the belief that school uniform

- Develops a sense of unity among students.
- Fosters a sense of belonging to the school.
- Enhances school identity, tone, morale and general appearance.
- Ensures students are easily recognised which fosters individual safety and group security.
- Provides economical, long wearing and practical clothing for school activities.
- Allows active and safe participation in school activities.
- Minimises peer pressure to compete in fashion items and brand names.
- Differentiates between school wear and leisure wear.

Broad Guidelines

- 1.1 The wearing of the recommended school uniform is compulsory.
- 1.2 The school colours are green, gold and black.
- 1.3 Details of the uniform will be widely publicised.
- 1.4 The Willow Grove Primary School Logo will be the only logo used.
Nicknames and Names on the front of clothing is prohibited.
- 1.5 Positive reinforcements will be used to encourage pride in the wearing of our school uniform.
- 1.6 There will be exceptions in cases of necessitous circumstances where special conditions exist and where children have been enrolled for less than a term.

- 1.7 Where breaches of the uniform code are evident, parents will be reminded of their obligations.
- 1.8 Items are readily available through the local store.
- 1.9 All children will be required to wear hats in accordance with the Willow Grove Primary School SunSmart Policy.
- 1.10 The school reserves the right to prohibit items which may be dangerous (e.g dangling earrings, sharp rings, long chains.) Studs and sleepers are the only acceptable forms of earrings. Safety aspects of shoes and, jewellery will be considered. Refer to School Uniform Clothing Guide.

Implementation

- 2.1 The wearing of the school uniform range is compulsory. The only exceptions will be where:
 - Children have been enrolled less than a term
 - There are special circumstances
 - Special medical conditions apply
- 2.2 After consultation with the school community, School Council has developed a Uniform Dress Code that we believe caters for all students, allows for students to safely engage in the many and varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- 2.3 The Uniform Dress Code applies during school hours and when students are on school excursions and interschool sport activities. Students not in school uniform will not be allowed to attend outside school events.
- 2.4. Comfortable clothing that permits safe and unrestricted movement in all physical activity should be worn to school. Tracksuit trousers, shorts or sport briefs in school colours should be worn on days of Physical Education classes.
- 2.5 The wearing of make up and jewellery is prohibited with exception of studs/sleepers in the ears and a wrist watch.
- 2.6. Students are required to have natural hair colours and tidy hairstyles.
- 2.7 The only head wear that is acceptable is the Sunsmart hat consistent with our Sunsmart Policy. Hats are not worn inside.
- 2.8. The school Uniform Dress Code, including details of the uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter and information book at the start of each year.
- 2.9. School Council requires the Principal to be responsible for the implementation of the Uniform Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.

- 2.10.1 Parents seeking exemptions to the Uniform Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health conditions or economic hardship must apply in writing to the Principal. This information will remain confidential.
- 2.11 School Leadership positions will not be offered to students who do not regularly wear school uniform of school colours.
- 2.12. All articles of clothing must be named for ease of identification of lost clothing.
- 2.13 Tights do not replace pants and must be worn with a dress or under shorts.
- 2.14. Parents will be notified if the Uniform Dress Code is not followed and no explanation is provided. Appropriate records will be maintained.

Where to purchase the uniform

- Commercial Stores – Beleza Moe

Evaluation

Evaluation will be based on:

- observation of compliance
- feedback from principal, staff, parents and students
- records of frequent non-compliance maintained by Principal
- Policy Review-2017

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- *Please note your child (boy or girl) could wear a polo top, shorts and a windcheater all year round. You may want your child to have warmer pants in winter. The summer dress and winter tunic is optional but to be worn at the relevant time.*
- *The uniform will be phased in over 2015 and fully implemented in 2016*
- *Parents who need financial support to purchase items of clothing need to see the Principal.*

- **HATS** CRICKET HAT- Bottle Green
Provided by Parent Association – One hat in Prep or at grade entry into school.
- **TOPS** POLO SHIRT (short sleeved or long sleeved)
Bottle Green with school logo.
POLO FLEECE JACKET – Bottle Green with Logo
HOODIE WINDCHEATER Bottle Green/gold trim with logo
GRADE 6 PRINTED POLO SHIRT – Gold/green
- **PANTS** TRACKSUIT PANTS – Black
TROUSERS- Black. Leggings and tights do not replace pants.
- **JACKET** SCHOOL JACKET – Green water /wind proof
Spray jacket with logo
- **SHORTS** Black
- **DRESS** SUMMER CHECK DRESS (optional)
Green White Gold check to be worn Term 1 and Term 4
- **DRESS /TUNIC -** WINTER BOTTLE GREEN TUNIC(Optional) to be worn with long sleeved gold polo top and black tights. Worn in Term 2 and Term 3
- **FOOTWEAR** SHOES - Black
BOOTS- Black
ENCLOSED TOE/ HEEL SANDAL- Black
RUNNERS- Black
- **SOCKS/** – White/ black

Uniform supplies are available from Beleza Moe. Blacks shorts, trousers and trackpants can be obtained at various stores.