

# Dress Code Policy

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# **Background**

The school's Dress Code plays an important part in promoting a positive image of the school and creating a sense of identity. The staff, parents and School Board agree that a school Dress Code helps to:

- Foster and enhance the public image of the school;
- Assist in building school and team spirit;
- Ensures students are safely dressed for specific school activities;
- Promotes a sense of identity and pride in the school;
- Encourages equity among students; and
- Prepares students for work, as many work places have dress and safety codes.

The school and School Board strongly promotes the wearing of a school uniform by all of its students from Kindergarten – Year 6.

It is Government Policy that students in government schools are required to wear a school uniform.

#### **Procedures**

Observance of the Dress Code is a condition of enrolment at Bletchley Park Primary School.

The school will ensure that all procedural fairness is afforded when dealing with issues of exemptions and non-compliance.

#### Consultation

The School Board is to widely canvass students, parents and staff before establishing or changing the Dress Code. For example, the following methods may be used: surveys, information in the newsletter, meetings with the P & C and student voice.

## **Dress Code**

# **Unisex Uniform Kindergarten – Year Six**

- Teal short sleeve polo shirt with school logo.
- Teal long sleeve polo shirt with school logo
- Short sleeve faction polo with school logo (Gold, Green, Red, Royal)
- Plain black long sleeve under shirt
- Black mesh shorts with school logo
- Black microfibre track pants with school logo
- Plain black shorts, skort, track pants, tights or leggings
- School tartan skort with school logo
- School tartan zip front dress with school logo
- Teal zip front jacket with school logo



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#### School Bucket Hat

• Reversible Sun Smart bucket hat with school logo(Gold, Green, Red, Royal)

#### Hat

The school has a 'No Hat No Play' policy for the whole year. Students must wear the school Sun Smart bucket hat.

#### **Shoes**

Students are required to wear either closed-in shoes (joggers) or ankle strapped sandals. No thongs or reefs.

For safety reasons, students must have appropriate footwear for sports and science sessions.

# **Sporting activities**

Students who represent the school in various sporting teams eg football, soccer or netball etc, are expected to wear the uniform provided by the school or outlined by the teacher in charge of the group.

## **Faction Shirts**

Students wear faction shirts for faction carnivals, cross country and on sports days. Students may also wear faction shirt during the weekly sport day/s

### **Graduation Shirt /Jacket**

When students enter Year 6 they will have the opportunity to purchase a graduation shirt/jacket in school colours but a different design to the K-Yr 6 school polo/jacket. Students may wear these items in place of the school polo shirt/jacket. Students may also wear the graduation shirt for the Yr6 Grad photo and Graduation Ceremony as long as all students are in the same attire.

The school will manage the ordering process. Students will have the opportunity to choose from a selection of logo designs that may appears on the polo / jacket but not the style of the polo/jacket. Every two years the current Yr 4 & 5 students will have the opportunity to choose a new design.

#### **School Choir**

When the school choir performs in public students must be dressed in either:

Choir uniform – Music polo (provided by the school) and plain black shorts/pants



• School uniform as outlined in this policy; or

As directed by the teacher in charge.

## **Excursions**

When students attend an excursion, they are to wear the school uniform outlined above to assist with identification and safety.

## Make-Up

Students should not wear make-up to school. Make-up refers to eyeliner, lipstick, rouge, mascara, foundation, nail polish, nail stickers and fake tattoos.

# **Earrings/Body Piercing**

Students may have pierced ears but nose studs, eyebrow rings, lip rings and any body piercings are strongly discouraged.

#### Hair

Students with long hair (shoulder length or longer) must have their hair tied back or up as this is a safety issue in science, assists in preventing the transfer of nits and ensures students can see their work.

Students may colour their hair on sports days or fund raisers as directed by the school.

# **Availability of Dress Code Items**

Items featuring the school logo as described in the school Dress Code can be obtained from UNIFORM CONCEPTS Nell Gray

24/26 Solomon Road, Jandakot WA 6164

PH: 9270 4650

Email: jandakot@uc.nellgray.com.au

Website: nellgray.com.au

Online Orders: willettonuniforms.com.au

• Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm

• Thursdays 9am – 6pm

• Saturdays 9am - 1pm



#### **Second Hand Store**

The P&C run a preloved uniform store on a regular basis at the school. Dates and times are advertised in the newsletter and through the P&C Facebook page (Bletchley Park PS P&C). Cash and EFTPOS is available, items are priced between \$5 - \$15. Good quality item can be donated into the box at the back of the school office. These are then laundered and resold to the community.

## **Changes to the Dress Requirements**

Changes to the dress requirements will be kept to a maximum (Two per year). All changes needed to be carried out in full consultation with:

- School community;
- School Board;
- Student voice;
- P & C Association; and
- Advertised to the wider school community.
- \* When financially viable, old stock must be exhausted before new items are introduced
- \*An appropriate 'change-over time needs to be allowed. The time deemed appropriate will be set by the above parties.

## **Publishing Dress Code**

The Dress Code is to be published in the school newsletter at the beginning of each school year and is also to be included in the Parent Information Handbook and on the school web site.

# **Cultural Diversity**

Parents who feel their child cannot wear the school uniform for cultural reasons are to:

- Inform the Principal at enrolment; and
- Write to the School Board stating the reasons they are seeking an exemption and for what period of time the exemption is required.

# **Non-Compliance with Dress Code**

The school and School Board will focus on the positive promotion of the Dress Code, not the consequences for non-compliance.

- Students cannot be excluded from an excursion that is an essential part of the educational program; and
- Students cannot be excluded from the Graduation Ceremony.



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Students at Bletchley Park Primary School who do not comply with the Dress Code will be governed by the following sanction:

Parents of and Students not wearing the Dress Code will receive

- 1. Counselling from a designated staff member on the benefits of the Dress Code;
- 2. Assistance and support in obtaining suitable clothing if necessary.

Students not following the Dress Code will be denied the opportunity to represent the school at:

- Official sporting events;
- · Choir outings; and
- Official events as deemed by the school eg ANZAC services.

## **Unacceptable Clothing**

The following items of clothing are not acceptable at Bletchley Park Primary School. These items are not welcome because they are unsafe or do not fit accepted standards of school wear.

- Blue or Black Denim Jeans DoE Policy prohibits students wearing denim to school.
- T Shirts with rude or suggestive captions.
- Black T Shirts
- Singlets or tank tops
- · Clothing which is not modest or revealing.
- Thongs
- Caps

#### General

- Students are expected to wear the Bletchley Park PS uniform every day.
- Students are expected to wear the Bletchley Park PS uniform while on excursions or whenever representing the school. Failure to wear our uniform will result in the student not participating in extra curricula events.
- Long hair should be tied back for reasons of safety and hygiene.

