Student Dress Code

At Kimberley Park Primary School, it is the expectation that all students who choose to attend our school will wear the correct uniform at all times. This policy has been established by joint consultation with the School Council, P&C, Administration and Staff of Kimberley Park State School. Wearing the uniform encourages each child to have pride in themselves and their school. It also provides each child with a strong sense of belonging. The school uniform has been designed to be:

· Practical for the needs of children during their active days at school
· Long wearing
· Cost effective
· Sun-safe, with the current uniform meeting the suggested guidelines for Sun Safe school uniforms.

Overview

The student dress code consists of an agreed standard and items of clothing, which includes a school uniform that school students must wear when:

- attending or representing the school
- traveling to and from school
- engaging in school activities out of school hours.

This student dress code provides clothing that aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- ready identification of students and non-students at school
- fostering a sense of belonging
- developing mutual respect among students by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences.

The student dress code reflects school community standards and is consistent with occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination legislation and the Sun Safety Strategy.

This code has been developed in consultation with the Parents and Citizens Association

The P & C of Kimberley Park State School has resolved that it supports a student dress code because it believes that a student dress code promotes objectives of Education (General Provisions) Act 2006.

In particular, the P & C of Kimberley Park supports the intention of a student dress code in providing a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by:

- ready identification of students and non-students at school;
- eliminating distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school;
• fostering a sense of belonging; and
• developing mutual respect among students through minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences.

Special Circumstances

In instances where cultural or religious beliefs conflict with this standard a parent or carer must consult with the school principal or delegate. An exemption from part of the dress code may be negotiated in exceptional circumstances.

Compliance

• Kimberley Park may apply sanctions on a once only basis per episode of non-compliance. Sanctions are reflective of the severity and recentness of the non-compliance and are limited to one of the following:
  • imposing a detention for a student during lunch or after school (if after school, inform parents before detention occurs)
  • preventing student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which student is representing school, or
  • preventing student from attending or participating in any school activity that is not an essential school educational program.
  • temporarily offering the student correct uniform items from a uniform bank

The school must enforce aspects of student dress codes related to safety such as:

• safe footwear and eye protection, as required by curriculum activity risk management
• hats and swim shirts, as required by the Sun Safety Strategy

BOYS SUMMER UNIFORM

• Navy Shorts
• School Polo Shirt embroidered with school logo
• Navy wide brimmed or legionnaire hat
• Navy socks
• Black, flexible soled shoes

GIRLS SUMMER UNIFORM

• Tartan Culottes or Navy Shorts
• School Polo Shirt with embroidered school logo
• Navy wide brimmed or legionnaire hat
• Navy socks
• Black flexible soled shoes

WINTER UNIFORM (BOYS AND GIRLS)
Comprises the summer uniform with the addition of:

- Navy V-necked fleecy pullover with embroidered school logo
- Navy micro fibre zipped jacket with embroidered school logo
- Navy Track pants
- Navy tights for girls.

**YEAR SEVEN COMMEMORATIVE SHIRT**

May be worn with shorts or culottes.

Kimberley Park enforces a strict NO HAT NO PLAY policy. All children are required to wear a hat that protects the face, neck and ears whenever they are involved in outdoor activities. In line with this policy the following applies:

Caps are not suitable, as they do not give sufficient sun protection

The reversible school wide-brimmed hat is the preferred option for all students. In the interests of safety, it is required that all students wear closed-toe shoes at all times.

Jewellery is not a part of the school uniform. In the interests of the personal safety of each child, it is recommended that jewellery be confined to a watch and small plain sleepers or stud earrings for those with pierced ears. Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back. Extreme coloured hair is considered inappropriate. Hair accessories should be in the school colours of navy or maroon.

Make-up and nail polish are considered inappropriate for primary school children.

All items of clothing must be clearly marked with the student's name.

Kimberley Park has a number of free dress days during the year when the children are permitted to wear casual clothes.