

DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

DRESS CODE POLICY



Rationale

Darlington Primary has a Sun Smart School Dress Code, as endorsed by School Council in 2015. Our Dress Code is compulsory for P-6 students (optional but encouraged for our Kindergarten students).

Our School Dress Code:

- Ensures students are appropriately dressed for specific school activities.
- Assists in building school and team spirit.
- Fosters and enhances the public image of the school.
- Encourages equity among students and,
- prepares students for work, as many places have dress and safety codes

The Department of Education requires all schools to incorporate the exclusion of denim in all dress code policies. Therefore students are required to adhere to the 'no denim' policy at all times. On occasions for fundraising or social events sanctioned by the school the wearing of denim will be acceptable. Families will be advised of these events through the normal communication procedures as appropriate. Enrolment at the school implies acceptance of the dress code.

Guidelines and Major Strategies

The School Uniform

GIRLS:

- Bottle green sports skirt, track pants, skorts, shorts, or jazz pants.
- Winter rain jacket or zip jacket with school logo.
- Red school polo shirt - with school logo.
- School dress - green, red and white checked tartan. Available from the uniform shop.
- Socks, solid colour – red, white or green.
- Bottle green bucket hat.
- Coloured faction polo for sports days.

BOYS:

- Bottle green track pants, shorts, or cargos.
- Winter rain jacket or zip jacket with school logo.
- Red school polo shirt - with school logo.
- Socks, solid colour – red, white or green.
- Bottle green bucket hat.
- Coloured faction polo for sports days.

These are available from the uniform shop, or some items may be obtained at other outlets. Items may be ordered via Flexischools (www.flexischools.com.au) or through visiting the uniform shop at the advertised opening hours. **Uniform Shop opening hours – every second Tuesday 8.45 – 9.00am.** Please see term planners and newsletters for dates.

- Students are expected to take part in regular physical activity. Joggers and trainers are the most appropriate footwear. Thongs, sandals, crocs, boots and heeled shoes are not suitable.

OFFICIAL

- SunSmart faction shirts should be worn for physical education lessons and sports days/carnivals.
- Students will be required to wear the school's wide brimmed, bucket or legionnaire's hat every day. Students without hats will be asked to remain in the shaded areas/verandah.
- Hair needs to be neat and tidy. Hair past collar length needs to be tied up for health reasons.
- A wrist watch, studs/sleeper earrings can be worn. For safety reasons, other items of jewellery may not be worn. Exemptions will be granted if there are cultural/medical reasons.
- Nail Polish, make up and fake tattoos are not to be worn.
- Graduating Year 6 students will have the option to wear a graduands polo shirt and/or Leavers Jacket. Parents will be informed of the cost and design.
- Students may be granted an exemption from the dress code requirements on religious or health grounds, or at the Principal's discretion. Exemptions must be applied for through the office.

If a student does not meet the requirements of the dress code:

- The class teacher will explain to the student the need to be in uniform.
- If the student is still out of uniform the class teacher will again remind them of the dress code requirements and communicate this to the parents/carers.
- If the student is still out of uniform, the class teacher will inform Administration.
- Administration will liaise with parents/carers. A copy of the dress code requirements will be provided with an acknowledgement or receipt of the information.