Student Dress Code
All school councils have the authority to create and implement dress codes for their students. This authority arises from an Order made by the Governor-in-Council. Stratford Primary School has had a compulsory student dress code since 1991 that has been reviewed and amended to reflect emerging safety issues and community expectations.
We believe our school uniform promotes a sense of individual and collective pride in our school and encourages group security both within the school and when on school outings.
Our uniform is a comfortable, functional and cost effective form of clothing that promotes the school in the eyes of the public.

Enforcement of the Dress Code
As our uniform is compulsory, it is expected that students wear the uniform every day at school. When children leave the school ground for excursions, sport or to represent the school at community events, full school uniform is to be worn.
If a child is temporarily unable to comply with the dress code a note signed by the parent must be presented to the Principal.
A student’s studies will not be interrupted if they do not comply with the school dress code unless there was an issue of safety, however they may be excluded from optional educational activities or from representing the school at community events.
Sanctions for breaches of the dress code will be consistent with the school’s Student Code of Conduct.
The operational tasks of enforcement of the dress code and the granting of exemptions belong with the Principal.

Exemptions from the dress code
Occasionally and exemption from the dress code may be granted and these will be assessed on an individual basis. These requests will be treated in the strictest confidence as often issues of a very personal nature (health, domestic, financial, racial) need to be revealed to substantiate the request for exemption.

Details of School Uniform
Girls
Summer
Option 1:
  • Red & white check frock with Peter Pan Collar

Option 2
  • Red polo shirt with school logo (available from JSM Embroidery, Sale)
  • Black shorts, culottes/skort or skirt or track pants (not sports briefs, bike shorts, leggings or netball skirts)
And with both options
  • Red polo fleece top with school logo
  • Black school shoes.
  • White socks
  • Red school hat with school logo
Winter
Option 1:
- Red and black plaid tunic worn with long sleeved plain black skivvy and black tights (no footless tights or leggings). Note this is the only time black skivvies can be worn.
Option 2:
- Red polo shirt with school monogram
- Black knee length culottes/skort, skirt or black track pants or track pants (no leggings, bike shorts or shorts)
- White or black socks or black tights (no footless tights)
Plus:
- Red polo fleece with school logo
- Black vest with school logo
- Black school shoes
- Red and black outer wear jacket with school logo (to be worn outside).

Boys
Summer
- Red polo fleece with school monogram
- Red polo shirt with school logo
- Black shorts (not basketball shorts)
- Black tracksuit pants
- White or black socks
- Black school shoes
- School hat with school logo
Winter:
- Red polo shirt with school logo.
- Red polo fleece jumper with school logo
- Black vest with school logo
- Black school pants, shorts or black track pants without logos are stripes.
- Red and black outer wear jacket with school monogram. (to be worn outside)
- Black socks
- Black school shoes

Girls and Boys
Sport uniform to be worn during Physical Education classes and sporting events
P.E. Students to bring their sports uniform to school and change before and after the lesson.
- Black sports shorts and/or black track pants.
- Polo shirt in house colours (Blue, Green or Yellow)
- Runners with non-marking soles and sports socks.

When representing the school at sporting events
- Black sports shorts and/or/track pants
- Red Polo shirt with school monogram
- White or black sports socks
- Runners with non-marking soles
- Red and black outer wear jacket with school logo
Special Uniform Items
Year 6 students will have the option of purchasing a special inscribed year 6 polo shirt for wear during their final school year.
Energy Breakthrough (HPV) shirts: The school provides the shirts for students to wear during the competition. Students may purchase their own shirt.

Other Footwear
During wet winter weather children are permitted to wear gum boots to school and bring slippers for inside use. However, runners must still be worn during PE classes. Open toed sandals, slip on skate or canvas fashion shoes are not to be worn at any time.

Jewellery
Watches, plain studs and sleepers are the only jewellery to be worn. Necklaces, rings and dangling earings represent a safety hazard to the children and are not to be worn at school.

Makeup
No make-up is to be worn by students at school and this includes nail varnish.

Hair
Hair below the collar line and long fringes should be tied back on both girls and boys with plain black or red hair ties or headbands. Large floral head pieces and accessories are not appropriate at school and students will be asked to remove them. Permanently brightly dyed hair is also not appropriate for this age group.

Casual Dress Days:
Clothing must be appropriate for safe play at school and be consistent with the sun smart policy.
Strapless tops and dresses, tank tops or singlets are not appropriate and if worn to school students will be expected to change into uniform provided by school for the day.
Open toed sandals, thongs or high heels are not to be worn on casual dress days.
Make up and jewellery are not to be worn.
School hats are to be worn from the beginning of September to the end of April.

Uniform Supply:
- All school monogramed logo clothing (jacket, polo shirts, polo fleece jumpers are available at JSM embroidery in Sale.
- Black shorts, track pants, trousers and skirts are available at JSM. At times they may be available at discount stores. These can be worn but must be consistent with the school uniform policy.
- School dresses and tunics are available from (JSM or school, negotiations are continuing)
Some uniform items may be available from the school while stocks last.

NOTE:
From 2014 the existing red polo shirt, the red fleecy windcheater and red bomber jacket are being phased out and will no longer be official school uniform from the start of the 2016 school year.
Black skivvies, other long sleeved t-shirts are not to be worn under the school polo shirt or polo fleece jumpers.

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