



Applecross Primary School Dress Code

The Applecross Primary School community, through the School Board, believes the wearing of a school uniform can play an important part in promoting a positive self-image for the child as well as the school, creating a sense of identity and pride.

The school community has developed this dress code and expects that all students wear the full uniform.

Purpose

1. To provide parents and students with a dress code that ensures:
 - * that the clothing is safe and appropriate for school activities,
 - * that the clothing is affordable, and
 - * that the clothing complies with the Australian Cancer Council's sun smart policy.
2. To provide appropriate processes for exemption or modifications related to student health, ethnicity or religion.

Uniform

- All clothing, including a school hat, is available to be purchased from the school clothing boutique. Items on the current price list are sent home at the beginning of the year and constitute the dress code. All children are required to wear an approved school hat during all 4 terms. The school has a NO HAT NO PLAY (in the sun) policy.

Sport

- Children are expected to wear their coloured sport shirts for sport activity and on faction-day occasions.

School Bags

- These are available from the clothing boutique but, are not compulsory.

Footwear

- Appropriate footwear needs to be worn at all times. Preferred footwear being runners, sneakers, closed shoes, boots and sandals with heel strap.

Jewellery

- For safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn to school. Exclusions may include ear studs, sleepers and watches. If jewellery is worn, children will be asked to remove it for the day.

Financial Difficulties

- Families experiencing financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform should speak to the school office.

Modifications

- The grounds for exemption or modification of the dress code relate to student health, ethnicity and/or religion. Parents wanting to apply for an exemption or modification should outline their request in writing. Staff will be informed of students granted an exemption/modification of the dress code.

Positive Incentives

- A positive approach will be maintained with children encouraged to comply with the dress code through incentives such as faction tokens, faction days, special activities, free dress days and canteen days.

Enrolment

- Parents and students will be informed of the Applecross Primary School dress code at the time of enrolment. Acceptance of enrolment at Applecross assumes agreement between the school, parent/guardian and student that the student will dress within the guidelines of the dress code.



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