



Spencer Park Primary School School Dress Code Policy (2010)

RATIONALE

School clothing must be such that the students can readily participate in a wide variety of activities, be protected from the elements, and be functional, attractive and accessible. Because of this a school uniform has been established as the cornerstone of recommended school clothing to be worn in this school.

While it is understood that students have the right to wear clothing other than the uniform our school strongly encourages students to wear our school uniform.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this code is to:

1. Outline the appropriate parameters for dress by students attending the school
2. Put in place practices which encourage the wearing of our school uniform
3. Define what is acceptable dress with respect to health and safety issues

GUIDELINES

CLOTHING

1. The current Spencer Park School uniform is the most desirable clothing to be worn by all students. The students are to be encouraged to wear their school uniform by both staff and parents.
2. Students unable to wear the uniform must not wear clothing to school which has advertising, and pictures which may offend or be unsafe or a health risk. This includes clothing that is sunsafe for example, singlets, sleeveless shirts, midriff tops etc. Denim clothes and hoodies are not to be worn at school.

FOOTWEAR

1. All children must wear footwear which either covers the foot or is fastened securely by strap or lace. No children should be wearing thongs or scholls as they are considered to be unsafe for play.
2. It is recommended that students wear a sports shoe for sport or for general wear. Note: A child may be excluded from a sporting activity if the footwear is considered inappropriate by staff members.

HEADWEAR

1. All students must have broad brim hats or an acceptable equivalent to be able to play in the sun in Terms 1 and 4.

FASHION ACCESSORIES

Fashion accessories, jewellery including bangles, necklaces and earrings are discouraged at the school for safety reasons.

CONCLUSION

Fashions and comfort requirements will change over the years so it is important that our school uniform remain accessible in price, comfortable to wear and appropriate for the times. In doing this and encouraging our children to be proud of our school the uniform will remain the cornerstone of our dress code.