



FERNTREE GULLY NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

RATIONALE

Ferntree Gully North Primary School aims to promote a sense of school identity and pride through the use of a consistent school uniform and dress code. Our dress code encourages students to develop pride in their appearance and prevents bullying and competition on the basis of clothing. The school's dress code enhances individual student safety and group security, as well as ensuring all students are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities. It also ensures that our students' appearance reflects the expectations of our school community and boosts the school and our students' profile within the wider community.

AIMS

To maintain the school's atmosphere, identity, prestige, tone and spirit

To promote within the students a sense of pride and school identity and enhance the supervision and safety on excursions

To provide clothing that is practicable, presentable and affordable

To eliminate peer group pressure to wear less appropriate clothing to school

GUIDELINES

The student dress code applies:

During school hours.

While travelling to and from school.

When students are engaged in school activities out of school hours, except when otherwise advised.

The 'Student Dress Code' consists of the following items:

- Blue polo shirt with logo – short or long sleeve
- Sports top for years 3-6 on PE and sport days
- Navy shorts or tracksuit pants –available for boys and girls
- Bomber jacket or windcheater with logo
- Hoodie with logo for year 6 students
- Navy skort
- Navy bucket hat or wide brimmed 'surf' hat with logo
- Socks and hair accessories, should be dark in colours or white.
- Summer dress

Optional –school backpack, Navy beanie

Jewellery – Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches, are the only acceptable jewellery, e.g. large hoops and earrings that dangle from the ear may not be worn for safety reasons.

Cosmetics –may not be worn at school, unless for designated occasions.

Shoes – Shoes must have enclosed toes. Runners or black leather school shoes are permitted.



IMPLEMENTATION

Uniform is to be worn on a daily basis unless exemption has been granted by the Principal, in line with DET policy.

- Religious or cultural requirements, including head coverings, clothing lengths or adornments such as certain jewellery, will be accommodated within the school's dress code, following discussion with the Principal and parents/carers.
- A choice of garments within the uniform range will be provided to meet the needs of students with cost to parents and availability taken into consideration. As with all other areas of financial difficulty, parents will be encouraged to make arrangements with the Principal regarding provision of uniform items for their children.
- Items of uniform purchased outside of the school supplier must be of the same colour, style and fabric.
- A special commemorative jumper will be offered to all Year 6 students for purchase.
- A current uniform list will be made available to parents on a regular basis.
- Parents are to be strongly encouraged to affix name tags to all items of uniform.
- For health and safety reasons, hair that is shoulder length or longer should be tied back.
- Ferntree Gully North Primary School uniform will be in line with the School's **SunSmart Policy**.
- Staff will actively monitor and encourage the wearing of full school uniform.
- Students are also required to supply an Art smock to protect their school uniform.
- Free Dress Days will be approved as appropriate by the Principal.
- Any reviews or amendments to the school's uniform policy must be considered in consultation with the school community, via the Education Committee and approved by the School Council.

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four-year review cycle.

Ratified by School Council September 2019

To be reviewed 2023