



STUDENT DRESS CODE

Student Dress Code

The Student Dress Code is established by the School Council of Mt Claremont Primary School to promote a positive, safe and healthy learning environment for the students. A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Student Dress Code.

Aims

The School Council believes that a Student Dress Code:

- Fosters and enhances the public image of the school.
- Ensures students are safely and appropriately dressed for specific school activities.
Encourages equality among students.
- Assists students to learn the importance of appropriate presentation.
- Assists in building school and team spirit.
- Assists in identifying students for requirements of duty of care, especially for out of school activities.
- Provides durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for the school environment.
- Provides students with protection from the sun when they are outdoors.

Standards

Students must wear the School Uniform in accordance with the Mount Claremont Primary School Student Dress Code.

For the health and well-being of the children, it is necessary that students are clean and well groomed, and shoulder length long hair is tied back.

Jewellery is not permitted, except for studs or small earrings for pierced ears.

Watches may be worn, but may need to be removed for some activities. Make-up is not to be worn to school. Students must wear a wide brimmed hat when outside. A 'No Hat – No Play' rule applies all year round. Students must wear appropriate, well-fitting footwear in accordance with the Student Dress Code.

School Uniform

The Mount Claremont Primary School uniform is compulsory for students in pre-primary through to year 6, but optional for kindergarten. The Student Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are representing the school.

Boys

- Summer – navy shorts with school polo shirt.
- Winter – navy track pants with school polo shirt and school zip jacket.

Girls

- Summer – navy skort/shorts with school polo shirt, or school checked dress.
- Winter – navy trousers with school polo shirt and school zip jacket. Navy skort or school checked dress may also be worn with navy leggings.

Generic

- Footwear – either school shoes with white socks, sports shoes/sneakers or sandals. Students need to be able to remove and put on their own footwear.
- Hat – school wide brim hat or bucket hat (50+ UPF protection).
- Bag – All students are encouraged to use the school backpack.

Sports

- School sports shirt to be worn for all generic sports activities and for interschool events.
- School faction shirts to be worn for all faction carnivals and faction training events.
Faction House: Boogalla-Blue, Nyanda – Red, Wambiri - Gold
- The school will supply interschool sports shirts for specific team events, and faction swim caps for faction swim carnivals.
- School swim caps are preferred for all swim squad participants in interschool events. School bathers are optional, but preferred.
- For extra-curricular school sporting activities, students are required to wear their sports uniform.

Choir

- For all performances, choir students are required to wear a choir shirt, navy skorts/shorts, closed in black shoes and white socks, hair neat and with long hair tied back in a plain band or blue ribbon/scrunchie. School zip jackets may be worn in cold weather.

Exemptions

Students who, for religious, cultural or health reasons, may wish to modify the Student Dress Code are required to make an appointment with the principal. Consequences Consistent with School Education Regulations – reg. 36(2), students not following the Student Dress Code will receive:

- Counselling from the principal on the benefits of the Student Dress Code; and
- Assistance/support in obtaining suitable clothing, if necessary.

Where the above avenues have proven to be unsuccessful, the following sanctions may be applied:

- Students may be prevented from attending or participating in any activity in respect of which the student would have been representing the school; or
- Students may be prevented from attending or participating in any school activity which, in the opinion of the principal, is not part of the educational program of the school.

Availability of Dress Code Items

The Mount Claremont Primary School uniform shop is run by non-paid P&C Committee members. All uniform prices include a 10% subsidy provided by the P&C. The uniform shop is open periodically for students and parents to view the dress code items and for fittings.

The complete range of dress code items are available for purchase online at mcps-uniform-shop.square.site or in store. The uniform shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30am to 9:00am during term time. Second-hand uniform items are available in-store. Students whose families may experience financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a school uniform should contact the principal to discuss the situation.

Implementation

The School Board requires the principal to be responsible for implementation of the Student Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.

Evaluation

This policy was ratified by the School Board in May 2017. The Student Dress Code policy will be reviewed as part of the school's review cycle.