



Uniform and Dress Code

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Our purpose is to empower resilient learners to think critically, actively problem solve, be respectful and positively contribute to their world.

At Grey Street that means that we are all active and resilient learners, who learn in different ways. We challenge and support each other with our learning through setting goals, working persistently, problem solving, using feedback and reflecting on our progress. We value a culture of collaboration and mutual support that is focused on achieving success for all staff, students and members of the school community.

At Grey Street Primary School we are committed to maintaining a safe and inclusive environment for everyone, everywhere, all of the time.

Purpose

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Grey Street Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Grey Street Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance;
- support Grey Street Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities;
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing; and
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

Scope

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

Uniform and Appearance

The full list of Example School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.



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General appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, Grey Street Primary School students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided that if the undergarments are visible, they are within the school's colour scheme.

Jewellery and cosmetics

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, are the only acceptable jewellery.

Cosmetics may not be worn at school. Only clear nail polish is permitted.

Hair and Sun safety

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety.

School uniform hats must be worn outside for Term 4 until 30 April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Purchase of Uniforms

Uniform items with the Grey Street Primary School logo can be purchased from Beleza Uniforms located at 16A Seymour Street, Traralgon.

Generic uniform items within the school colours of bottle green, grey and white can be purchased from any retail store, eg. Target, Kmart, Best & Less, etc.

Grey Street Primary School's Welfare team operates a second-hand uniform store for parents for a gold coin donation.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Principal or our Welfare team to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: <https://www.ssr.net.au/>

Implementation

Grey Street Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and enrolment information packs. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.



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Students wearing non-compliant uniform items may be asked to change into a compliant item of clothing provided by the school.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note will be provided to the student and parents by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Measures taken by Grey Street Primary School to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

Exemptions to Student Dress Code

We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.

Students and their parents or carers may apply to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

Concerns About This Student Dress Code

Grey Street Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy*.



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Further Information and Resources

- Grey Street Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- Grey Street Primary School Parent Complaint Policy
- Grey Street Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

Review Cycle

This Student Dress Code was last approved by School Council in May 2020 and is scheduled for review in May 2021.



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Appendix A - UNIFORM LIST

	GIRLS	BOYS
SUMMER	Bottle green and white check summer dress	
	White polo shirt with\without logo	White polo shirt with\without logo
	Bottle green polo shirt with\without logo	Bottle green polo shirt with\without logo
	Bottle green or grey shorts\long pants	Bottle green or grey shorts\long pants
	Bottle green tartan\plain culottes	
	Green school hat- broad brimmed or bucket available at school	Green school hat- broad brimmed or bucket available at school
WINTER	Bottle green or grey long pants	Bottle green or grey long pants
	Long sleeved bottle green or white polo shirt	Long sleeved bottle green or white polo shirt
	Bottle green or white skivvy	Bottle green or white skivvy
	Bottle green windcheater with\without logo	Bottle green windcheater with\without logo
	Bottle green polar fleece jacket with\without logo	Bottle green polar fleece jacket with\without logo
	Bottle green tartan pinafore	
	Bottle green polar fleece vest with zipper	Bottle green polar fleece vest with zipper
	Bottle green bomber jacket with logo	Bottle green bomber jacket with logo
	Bottle green tights only	
ALL YEAR	Green \grey \ white socks	Green \grey \ white socks
	Black shoes\white or black runners	Black shoes\white or black runners
	Green ribbons, hair ties, headbands	
	No dangly earrings, no necklaces unless connected with religion (for safety reasons)	No dangly earrings, no necklaces unless connected with religion (for safety reasons)
	No make up	
	School bag (optional) available at school	School bag (optional) available at school
	Bottle green spray jacket for wet weather (optional)	Bottle green spray jacket for wet weather (optional)