UNIFORM POLICY

Tea Tree Gully

Primary School

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**Rationale**

The wearing of a school uniform brings many benefits, including:

* A sense of community
* Safety
* Increased life of students’ other casual clothing
* Minimisation of fashion competition among students

**School Colours**

The school colours are bottle green and yellow tops combined with black bottoms. All tops should be either bottle green or yellow, while trousers, skirts or shorts need to be black. Clothing that is in school colours but displays significant brands, slogans, logos, etc. is not considered to be within dress code.

**Dress Code**

**Shirts**

* School short sleeve polo shirt (bottle green with yellow inserts with yellow school logo)
* Plain bottle green or plain yellow polo shirt
* Plain bottle green or plain yellow t-shirt

**Pants / Skirts**

* Plain black tracksuit, leggings, cargo pants or plain black bootleg pants
* Plain black (mid-thigh length) shorts, black basketball shorts or skorts – shorts should be of sufficient length and should be longer than where the student’s fingers reach when they put their arms straight down their sides.

**Dresses**

* Bottle green and white gingham (checked) dress

**Windcheaters**

* Bottle green windcheater with hood and yellow school logo
* Plain bottle green windcheater
* Current year 6 t-shirt and jumpers

**Jackets**

* Bottle green water repellent microfiber with yellow inserts
* Plain bottle green jacket

**Hats**

Our School has a Hat Policy which requires all students to wear a hat while outside throughout Terms 1, 3 & 4. All hats must be **without** a toggle or stretchy chin strap (including those with quick release clips) as per Department for Education (DfE) Regulations

* Bottle green legionnaire cap
* Bottle green wide brimmed bucket hat with adjustable crown
* Baseball caps are not permitted

**Shoes and Socks**

* For safety reasons we recommend closed-in shoes (preferably school shoes) or sneakers
* Sturdy sandals that are appropriate for outdoor activities are acceptable
* Thongs, crocs, surf sandals or shoes with a high or court heel are not suitable
* Plain white or plain black sports or ankle socks are preferred
* For safety reasons steel cap shoes are not permitted

**Jewellery, Hair and Make up**

* For safety reasons jewellery (including necklaces, rings and bracelets) should be avoided
* Earrings must be studs or small sleepers only
* Nose rings and other facial piercings are not permitted
* Make-up and non-clear nail polish are not permitted
* Fake nails are not encouraged
* The colouring of hair is not recommended
* For health and safety and practical reasons, hair that is longer than shoulder length must be tied back
* Fake tattoos are not permitted

**Exemptions**

As outlined in Departmental guidelines, families may apply for exemption from our Dress Code by written request based on the following grounds:

* Religious
* Cultural or ethnic
* New student (time provided to purchase)
* Financial hardship
* Genuine medical or family sickness

**Where to purchase**

New uniforms are available through the front office (please allow some delivery time for items not in stock). Some items are available through the Uniform Shop, Target, Big W and Best & Less. Alternatively, the school has a limited assortment of second hand uniforms available for a gold coin donation to the school. Please see the front office for access to the second hand uniform cupboard.

**The dress code in operation**

It is realised that at times, due to family situations, students will come to school “out of uniform”. In these cases, families should inform the school. If teachers are not informed, they will communicate this through Seesaw.

If a student continues to dress outside the school code, the leadership staff will liaise with the student’s family.

**Please Note:**

One of the Australian curriculum areas is P.E in which all children must participate. This can involve running, climbing, dancing and exercising. Therefore, all children should be suitably attired in comfortable, practical clothing and footwear.

Please ensure all articles of clothing are **labelled clearly** with indelible marker pen on the clothing label. Also, label coats, water bottle, bags and sandwich box where necessary.

The school cannot accept any responsibility for damage, loss or theft of personal property.