

UNIFORM

POLICY

Rationale:

- 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 Dress Code. The school uniform should be worn in a respectful manner.

Aims:

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To enhance and maintain the positive image of the school in the community.
- To develop a sense of unity.
- To foster a sense of belonging to the school.
- To provide practical clothing for school activities.
- To eliminate peer pressure caused by competition with styles of clothing.
- To provide a range of choices for all seasons.

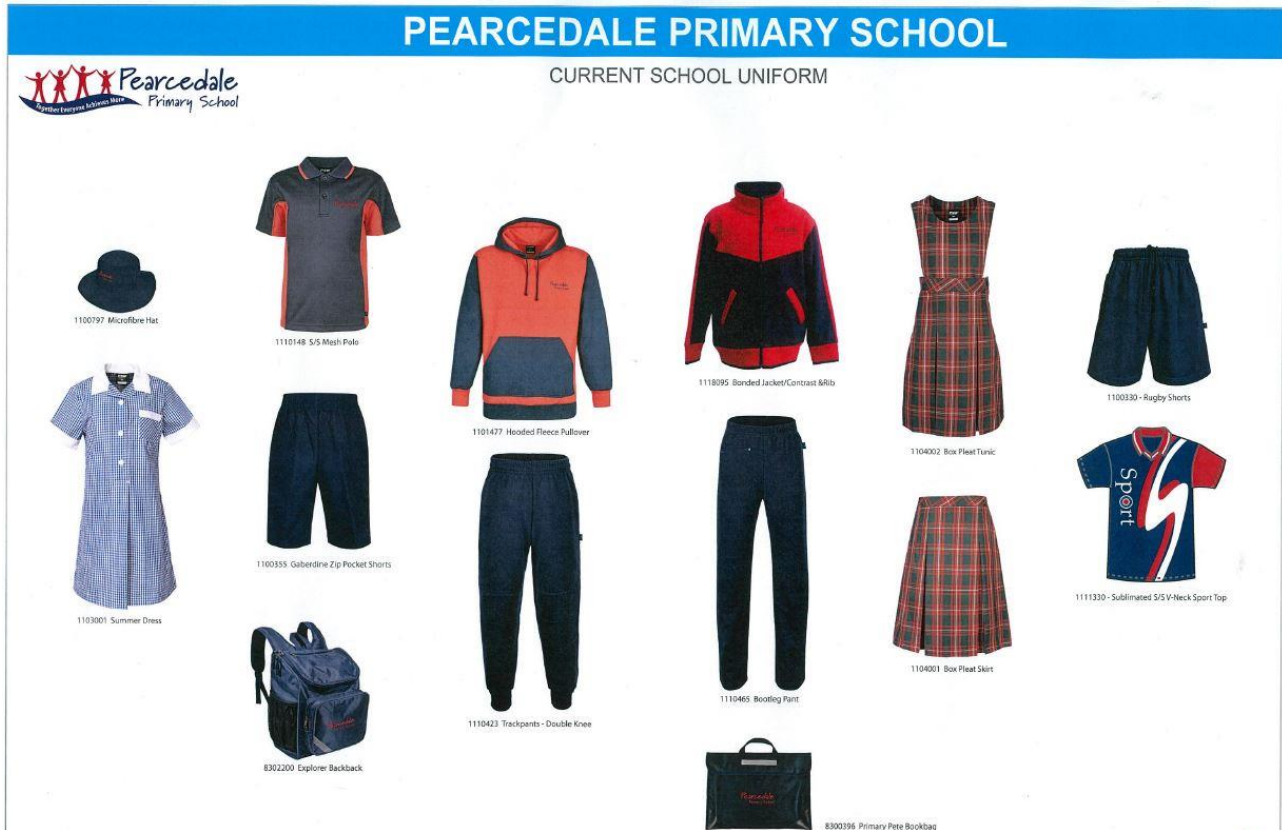
Implementation:

- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Prescribed uniform items are required to be worn.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter at the start of each term.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.

Guidelines:

- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery. Necklaces due to safety reasons are not permitted unless for religious purposes. Nose rings are not acceptable
- Extreme hair colors (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: spikes or mohawks) are not permitted. **N.B. – hair beyond shoulder length needs to be tied back with hair ties, scrunchies or ribbons (red/white/blue) for health and safety reasons**
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- SunSmart hats (blue broad brimmed) must be worn consistent with our SunSmart policy. They must be worn outside from September 1st – 30th April. School beanies are available for winter wear. Hats, school beanies and hoods are not to be worn inside.
- If an item of uniform is not available for a child to wear e.g. “not dry after being washed”, a note must be sent to inform the teacher (can be digital). This is not to be for extended periods.
- Local Sporting Club items including football shorts are not part of the school dress code and are not acceptable as school uniform.
- Hemlines should be of a reasonable/appropriate length (mid thigh-knee) for dresses, skirts and shorts.
- Children who are selected in extracurricular events such as HPV racing or snow camp are permitted to wear their team items to school as they have been approved by School Council, have the official school logo and are in the school colours.
- Year 6 students are also permitted to wear their Year 6 celebration jumper and polo as they have been approved by School Council, have the official school logo and are in the school colours.

The following are approved uniform items that are available for purchase from our uniform provider: Beleza



Please note:

- Children are also permitted to wear skorts (combination skirt/shorts) – not pictured above.
- Navy Blue skivvies can be worn under the school tunic
- School Beanies are available for purchase from the office.
- Socks must be white or blue in colour. Blue tights are acceptable under the winter dress only.
- Bike shorts/skins are not acceptable as an outer garment but may be worn underneath shorts, skirts and dresses providing they are not visible.

Evaluation:

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

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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