

Dress Requirements for Students

School dress requirements play an important role in promoting a positive image of the school and create a sense of identity among students.

It is expected that students at West Leederville Primary School will wear the school uniform as endorsed by the School Board. This dress code applies for Pre-primary students to Year 6. Kindergarten students have a separate uniform which they are encouraged to wear.

	Items of uniform
Summer	Navy blue dress with piping Navy blue shorts Navy blue skirt Short sleeved polo shirt with contrasting collar
Winter	Navy blue bootleg pants Navy blue tights Navy blue fleecy track pants Long sleeved polo shirt with contrasting collar Sapphire blue zip front windcheater Navy blue cargo pants
Sports	Short sleeved polo shirt with contrasting collar in Faction colour Navy blue shorts Navy blue skirt
Music Choir and Ensemble students	Black shirt with collar featuring music logo Black skirt or pants for external performances Black shoes
All year round	Navy blue slouch hat or navy blue reversible bucket hat with school logo.
Kindergarten	Short sleeved shirt in pink, red, orange, yellow, blue or green Fleecy windcheater in the colours as listed above.

Footwear

- Suitable footwear should be worn at all times. It is recommended that runners are worn as students are often involved in daily fitness
- Kindergarten and Pre-primary students usually take their shoes off during the day to make play more comfortable and climbing safer

Jewellery and Hair

- Excessive jewellery is not to be worn to school. A watch and standard bracelet or necklace is acceptable.
- For safety reasons, small studs or sleepers are the only earrings to be worn.
- Makeup is not to be worn.
- It is strongly recommended that hair beyond shoulder length is tied back to reduce the risk of head lice infection and for sports practice. Parents are urged to check their child's hair regularly for head lice.

Sun Aware Policy

West Leederville Primary School has a Sun Aware Policy that can be found on our website. The following uniform requirements support this policy.

- Students are required to wear a broad brim hat (where the brim is at least 6 cm from the forehead). Students who do not have a hat of this type with them will be restricted to playing in the undercover area or shelter shed. Parent notes will be issued informing parents if a student has not brought a hat to school on consecutive occasions.
- Students are allowed to wear sunglasses when outdoors and recommend they meet the Australian Standard to block UV.

Financial Difficulties

Families who may experience financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform should contact the Principal to seek a solution.

Modifications to the Dress Code

Parents of students who for religious or health reasons, may wish to modify the school dress code, are required to make an appointment with the Principal or Associate Principal. Staff will be informed of any student granted a modification to the dress code.

Sanctions

Students not complying with the dress code will be counselled and resolution of their concerns sought. Non-compliance with the dress code where exemptions have not been sought, will result in a student being prevented from attending any activity in respect of which the student is representing the school, in school or out of school hours, and may include representative teams of participants or spectators in areas of sport, drama, music, excursions and school social functions.

Exemptions

All students are expected to meet dress requirements unless an exemption has been granted. The grounds for exemption or modification relate to student health, ethnic considerations, religion or any other matter which, in the principal's opinion, is sufficient to exempt a student from dress code requirements.

The exemption must be negotiated with the principal at the time of enrolment. Provision for temporary exemptions will be made to accommodate new students and the non-availability of components of dress code items, or where there is significant change to student circumstances. A copy of any exemption record will be provided to the students parents and teachers, and placed on the students file.

Enrolment

Parents and students will be informed of the West Leederville Primary School dress code at the time of enrolment. Acceptance of enrolment at this school assumes an agreement between the school, the parent/guardian and the enrolling student, that the student will dress within the guidelines of the school dress code. Any grounds for exemption should be raised and agreement reached at this time. If the dress code is unacceptable, parents have the right to apply for admission to a school where the dress code reflects their preference.

Purchasing

All uniform requirements can be purchased online through the P&C Uniform Shop via the school website. Alternatively the uniform shop is open in the school hall on the first Thursday of each month. The P & C also operates a second hand uniform shop.

Review of the Dress Code

As consultation with the school community has occurred via the P & C and the School Board, it is intended that this policy will have a life of five years before review.

Endorsed by the School Board November, 2016