



Como Primary School Dress Code Policy

The Como Primary School Community, through our School Board, believes the wearing of a school uniform plays an important part in promoting a positive self-image for each student as well as the school, creating a sense of identity and pride.

Our school community has developed this dress code and expects that all students will wear the full uniform.

Purpose

- A. To provide parents and students with a dress code that ensures:
 - That the clothing is safe and appropriate for school activities
 - That the clothing is affordable and of a good quality, and
 - That the clothing complies with the Australian cancer Council's sun smart policy.
- B. To provide appropriate processes for exemption or modifications related to students health, culture or religion.

Uniform

All clothing, including a wide brimmed hat, is available to be purchased from our school uniform shop. Items on the current price list are sent home at the beginning of the year and constitute the dress code. All children are required to wear a wide brimmed school hat whilst outside during all four terms, regardless of the weather conditions.

Sport

Students are expected to wear their coloured sport shirts for Inter House sporting competitions. All Year 1-6 students are encouraged to wear their House Shirts each Friday.

During certain sporting activities hats may not be appropriate and the teacher in charge of the activity will decide if hats need to be taken off in line with our Sun Smart Policy.

Students participating in Inter-School sporting competitions will be supplied with an interschool shirt specific to the event. This will need to be washed and returned to the uniform shop the following week. These shirts are supplied by the P&C and as such there is no cost for use of the shirt.

Excursions

School uniform must be worn on all school excursions due to safety reasons.

School Bags

These bags, available from our uniform shop, have our school crest on them, are well sized and conform with chiropractic guidelines but, are not compulsory.

Footwear

Appropriate footwear needs to be worn at all times. Preferred footwear being runners, sneakers, closed shoes and sandals with a heel strap.

Jewellery

For safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn to school. Exclusions may include ear studs, sleepers and watches.

Grooming

For health and safety reasons long hair should be tied back and makeup is not permitted.

Recycle

Second hand clothing is available for purchase at the uniform shop at a much reduced rate. We welcome good quality second hand uniforms at the uniform shop.

Families experiencing financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform should speak confidentially to the school office staff.

Modifications

The grounds for exemption or modification of dress code relate to student health, culture and/or religion. Parent requests for exemption or modification need to outline their request in writing to the school principal. Staff will be informed of students granted an exemption/modification of our dress code.

Positive Incentives

A positive approach will be maintained with students encouraged to comply with dress code through incentives such as House Points, special activities and free dress days.

Enrolment

Parents and students will be informed of our school dress code at the time of enrolment in the Parent Information Handbook and at the annual orientation morning for new parents for the following year. Acceptance of enrolment at Como Primary School assumes agreement between the school, parent/caregiver and student that the student will dress within the guidelines of our dress code.