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STUDENT DRESS CODE

HELP FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKERS



If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact the school office.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Camberwell 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 Camberwell 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 Camberwell 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
- 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 wearing of the school uniform is strongly encouraged at Camberwell Primary School. Other items of clothing that are consistent in colour and style with our school uniform are permitted, provided that they meet the criteria outlined above in regards to safety and appropriateness for school activities.

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Our school uniform items are as follows:

- Red CPS logo polo shirt (short or long sleeve)
- Navy blue shorts or A-line skirt
- Navy blue track pants
- Summer dress – may be worn with navy bike shorts
- Red windcheater with CPS embroidered logo
- Microstretch jacket with embroidered CPS logo
- Navy blue polar fleece jacket
- Navy blue polar fleece vest
- Navy blue winter tunic
- Navy blue SunSmart Hat: wide brimmed microfibre hat or bucket hat
- white or navy socks
- navy tights
- School shoes (black) or runners

Additional items

- Explorer backpack- Embellished School Logo
- Grade - Foundation / 1 / 2 ONLY: Blue Library Bag
- Grade - Foundation / 1 / 2 ONLY: Red Reader Bag
- Grade 5 / 6 ONLY: Short Sleeve Sports Polo Top
- Grade 6 ONLY:
 - Special hooded windcheater (monogrammed)
 - Special polo shirt (monogrammed)

Please note:

Students must wear the wide brimmed, SunSmart hat at all playtimes in Terms 1 & 4. We have a ‘no hat, no play’ policy.

Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. This includes: shoes/boots (lace up or Velcro tab) and runners (sports shoes) Open footwear is not permitted on safety grounds
The wearing of runners is encouraged for all sporting activities.

Exclusions to Dress Code:

Items of clothing that are not suitable for school wear include:

- Denim jeans or shorts, skirts, non-CPS uniform jumpers, baseball caps
- Beanies (except during winter months)
- Thongs
- Moccasins
- Rubber boots (unless for camps or excursions)

General Appearance

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.

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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 in Terms 1 and 4 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.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from our uniform supplier, PSW, at their retail store 12 Strathalbyn St, Kew East or online at www.psw.com.au. For opening hours please see the PSW website or phone the store on 9768 0381.

Camberwell Primary School's Parents' Association also operates a second-hand uniform store for parents. Open times for the second-hand uniform store are advertised in the school newsletter, Le Journal and on the Compass community calendar.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Principal 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/>

Camberwell Primary School also has uniforms available to families to borrow on request.

IMPLEMENTATION

Camberwell Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our school website, parent handbook and Compass parent portal. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this Dress Code where possible.

If a student does not follow the Dress Code on a recurring basis classroom teachers will provide reminders to the student and their parent/carer.

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Regular reminders of the expectations within the CPS Student Dress Code will be provided in our school newsletter, Le Journal and year level term newsletters.

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 Camberwell 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, including providing written reasons for not allowing an exemption
- 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

Camberwell 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

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information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school’s *Parent Complaint Policy*, available in the [Policies section of our school website](#).

COMMUNICATION

This Student Dress Code will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school’s website (or insert other online parent/carer/student communication method)
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Included in staff handbook/manual
- Included in Parent Handbook
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Camberwell Primary School [Sunsmart Policy](#)
- Camberwell Primary School [Complaints Policy](#)
- Camberwell 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](#).

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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