Black Rock Primary School Policy Guide

Rationale:

The Student Dress Code requires that all attending students wear a school uniform during school hours and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

The purpose of the dress code is to create a sense of collective and individual pride in students and their identification with the school. It also enhances individual student safety and group security.

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 maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Implementation:

- The Student Dress Code Policy provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions and at weekend performances when representing the school.
- On Casual Dress Days, Excursions, Camps, Sports or Special activity days appropriate clothing, footwear and wide brimmed hats should be worn, no caps.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colours (eg. green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles are not appropriate.
- Head bands should be limited to blue, gold, and white.
- Nail polish and cosmetics may not be worn during normal school activities.
- The school uniform beanies are allowed to be worn in winter (Terms 2&3) while outside, before school, recess, lunch time and after school. Beanies may be worn outside during class time if teacher deems appropriate.
- If scarves and gloves are worn in winter they are to be in the school colour (Royal Blue).
- The only headwear that is acceptable are SunSmart hats consistent with our SunSmart policy. They must be worn outside from September to April. Hats are not to be worn inside.
- The official school bag with the school logo should be used during normal school hours.
- Children should wear runners or black school shoes.
- Good quality second hand school uniforms can be donated to the uniform shop where they can be purchased.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the school newsletter at the start of each year.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- A summary of uniform requirements will be published in the school newsletter at the beginning of each term.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the Principal and School Council.

Children are to wear the Summer or Winter Uniform not a mix and match of both.

Definition - Summer Uniform:

School Summer Dress

Polo Shirts Short Sleeve

Skort (Skirt &shorts)

Uniform shorts (printed or plain)

Track Pants Straight or bootleg

Rugby Top/Jacket

Dark Blue Tights

Rugby Top/Jacket

Polar fleece vest

Navy or white socks

Runners or black school shoes

<u>Definition -Winter Uniform</u>

Winter Pinafore

Rugby Top/Jacket

Rugby Shorts

Polo Shirts long Sleeve

Track Pants Straight or Bootleg

Wide brimmed school hat

White socks

Runners or black school shoes

Royal Blue Beanies

Other:

School Bags

Dark Blue school rain jacket

Hair ties and headbands in blue, white and gold

Recommendation:

Widely publicise that hats are to be worn from September to April not Term 1 and Term 4. Inform school community regularly of student dress code requirements.

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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