GILLES STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL - DRESS CODE

(Draft for Consultation)

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School Dress Code

A school dress code creates a sense of identity among students and the community. The uniform helps identify students as belonging to the school and can assist staff who have a duty of care in the school yard and during excursions. Student safety is also addressed by the dress code. For some parents/caregivers and their children it can reduce anxiety about clothing choice.

The School Council has endorsed this code and all students are expected to follow it. Compliance with the code will be monitored by school leadership. Significant and/or frequent non-compliance will be addressed by school leadership on a case by case basis.

Please enquire at the front office for further information regarding new and second-hand items.

Most items on the School Dress Code are available from the front office or can be ordered online.

The school dress code should be followed unless otherwise indicated e.g. sports day

School items (available at the front office or online order)

Current items

- School polo (short and long sleeved)
- Hats (broad brimmed and bucket)
- School polar fleece jumper
- Blue and white checked school dress (summer)
- Seniors top (year 7)

New items – a list of new uniform items will be released for consultation in 2020. Samples will be available for viewing during the consultation period.
Generic items
The following items in navy blue, grey or black can be worn and should be neat, safe and practical:

- Skirt or skort
- Shorts
- Leggings
- Tracksuit pants or trousers
- Tights
- Plain beanies
- Plain cardigan
- Plain parka

General guidelines
- School colours are royal blue and white
- Students and parents can choose combinations of items from the above lists
- A school top with logo should be worn at all times (e.g. students should not wear a non-school top with school jacket that they then take off), unless wearing a school dress
- All clothing worn at school needs to be neat, practical and safe.
- All items of clothing should be labelled clearly with the student’s name so that owners of lost items can be identified
- Students in their final year of primary school have input into the design of their own jacket (with teachers’ involvement).
- Shorts, skirts and dresses must be an appropriate length for engaging in all school activities
- In accordance with the Sun Smart policy, students must wear a hat for outside activities during terms 1, 3 & 4
- It is recommended that hair that reaches below shoulder length be tied back for learning, health and safety reasons.

Footwear
Shoes, sneakers or sandals should be appropriate for school activities including physical education and outdoor play. Closed toe shoes and sandals are recommended for safety reasons.

Jewellery
- Jewellery, such as necklaces, watches and earrings must be safe and not impede students’ ability to engage in school activities
- For safety reasons, students may be required to remove or cover jewellery for sport and physical education
- Body piercings are not permitted for safety reasons, with the exception of a single stud or sleeper in each ear. Earrings which ‘dangle’ or hang below the ear are not permitted.
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Exemptions

- Parents wishing to dress children in items outside the school dress code on a long-term basis may request exemption for that item.
- Parents are asked to please notify the school via email or a note to their child’s teacher if a student has reasonable cause to attend school out of uniform on a particular day.

The following is not acceptable:

- Clothing with slogans, messages
- Clothing with prominent logos/fashion labels
- Singlets and midriff tops (singlets can be worn under school tops)
- Baseball caps/visor style sun protection
- Ripped and/or unclean clothing
- Thongs
- High heels
- Denim
- Fake finger nails
- Make up is not considered appropriate for primary aged children

Public events and excursions

Students attending public events and excursions must be dressed according to this code, unless otherwise indicated by the school.

Sports uniform

The school sports uniform will be available following consultation with PE staff, School Council and students.

The school sports uniform must be worn for all extra-curricular sports activities unless otherwise indicated (for example, sports day). Sports uniform items will be available for hire.

School sports items (available at the front office or online order)

- School sports top
- School sports shorts

Generic items

- Navy skort
- Socks appropriate to sport (will be advised)

Please email comments or questions to dl.0120.uniform@schools.sa.edu.au