
Dress Standards and School Uniform Procedures at Farrer Primary School (Preschool – Year 6)

These procedures support the Education Directorate's Dress Standards and Uniforms in ACT Public Schools policy

Policy statement

Farrer Primary School (FPS) expects students to abide by this procedure while attending school or official school events to reflect a sense of belonging to our school. The uniform is consistent with occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation, and the Education Directorate's *Sun Protection* policy. It supports an active community and ethical purchasing.

School colours and logo

The school colour code for Farrer Primary School is bottle green and white. The logo is shown here and should be white on a bottle green background or bottle green on a white background.

Approval to use the school logo must be provided by the Principal.



Definitions

Dress Standard: The dress standard is a detailed written statement of the expectations that the Farrer Primary School Board holds regarding student appearance.

School Uniform: The school uniform consists of a limited range of clothing, which identifies students as belonging to Farrer Primary School.

Dress standard

Students at FPS are expected to dress in a manner that is clean and doesn't create offence to others.

School uniform

All students (preschool to year 6) are expected to wear school uniform during school hours. The uniform consists of either

- the logo green / white paneled tee shirt and bottle green bottoms; or
- the FPS school summer dress, or tunic with a white top underneath; as well as
- the FPS school hat and jumper; and
- enclosed shoes.

In exceptions where a uniform is not available, students need to adhere to school colours.

Students are encouraged to wear sports house colours on sports carnival days, these colours are Winglen - blue, Bencubbin - yellow and Glenwarri - green.

Special considerations

The Principal will consider the following when resolving matters of student dress standards:

- student's health and wellbeing;
- financial hardship; and
- modifications for religious, gender identity or cultural reasons.

Leadership items

Year Six students will be offered optional leadership items which are aligned with the school uniform and colours. These items will be developed in consultation with the incoming year six students and staff.

Extra curricular items

Additional uniform items for sports teams, band, choir and other school supported activities will be developed as needed and be aligned with the school uniform and colours.

Availability

The FPS school uniform is available only at the P&C Uniform Shop. Pricing and stock are reviewed annually in collaboration with the school to ensure it meets the requirements of the school community. The P&C are enabled to generate small fundraising profits to support FPS activities.

Accessibility

Any family requiring support with wearing the school uniform will be offered assistance by the Principal who will outline the possible ways of receiving assistance in a private and clear manner.

Responsibilities

Students attending Farrer Primary School are encouraged to wear school uniform during school/preschool hours, while travelling to and from school/preschool and while engaged in school/preschool excursions.

Consultation

Changes to key items, determined as the tee shirt or school colours will only be made following consultation with the P&C and School Board, other items may be modified by the P&C Uniform Shop subcommittee as required to manage stock availability and feedback from the community.

Communication

Students will be reminded of the school dress standard if required. Students will not be disadvantaged if unable to comply with dress standards due to circumstances beyond their control.

Parents are informed in writing of the school's *Dress Standards Policy and Procedures* which is found on the school's website and referred to in the School Handbook and Preschool Handbook. Parents are informed about the school uniform and where the uniform is available when they enrol their children at the school.

All excursion notes contain a reminder of the need for full school uniform to be worn.

Non-compliance with Dress Standards Policy and Procedures

All students at Farrer Primary School are expected to comply with the school's *Dress Standards Policy and Procedures* unless an exemption has been granted. Strategies used to manage non-compliance to the required dress standard by a student include:

- positive reinforcement and encouragement of responsible behaviour;
- the offer of appropriate items from the school's uniform stock;
- participation, by students in uniform, in specific activities where dress standards are key requirements; and
- informing parents or carers to encourage compliance.

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