

INTRODUCTION

Picnic Creek is a **full-uniform school**. Students must wear the complete dress uniform or sports uniform in accordance with school routines and this policy.

A '**Student Dress Code**' promotes a **safe** and **supportive** teaching and learning environment by

Establishing a culture of school **pride** and **high expectations** along with a strong sense of **belonging**

Fostering a **mutual respect** within the school by promoting **social equality** amongst all students

Improving **student safety** by enabling ready identification of students and non-students at school

We expect all students in our school community to support the accepted standard of dress when:

- Attending or representing their school;
- Travelling to and from school; and
- Engaging in school activities out of school hours, including school excursions

The '**Student Dress Code**' guidelines below, outline standards of acceptable dress and also aspects of the personal presentation of students.

This policy has been developed in accordance with the **Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Sections 360-363)** and the **Department of Education, Training and Employment's policy: Student Dress Code**.

DRESS CODE AT PICNIC CREEK STATE SCHOOL

Uniform

All uniform items (except shoes) must be purchased from the school uniform shop. Look alike items are not acceptable.

Please note:

- Sports uniform and day uniform garments must not be mixed and matched.
 - Students will wear the **full 'Day Uniform'** (formal) three days a week.
 - Students will wear the **full 'Sport Uniform'** two days a week. Years P-6 will all wear their sport uniform on a Friday and the second day will be determined by when each child's class has a Physical Education lesson. Teachers will communicate the appropriate day each uniform is to be worn for their class.
- Visible undershirts or open toed leggings are not permitted to be worn.
- In alignment with sun safe practices our school has a bucket hat for all students. Students **must** wear the Picnic Creek State School hat during outdoors activity. For easy identification of Prep students, their bucket hat is to be worn with the reversible gold colour showing.

Special Considerations:

- Our school understands and accepts that some cultures, religions and medical conditions have specific dress requirements. Modifications to the uniform that comply with recognised cultures, religious values or medical conditions may be negotiated with the Principal.

Relaxation of the Code:

- Relaxation of the Code will occur occasionally in circumstances such as free dress days, camps, discos and other functions. The school will clearly communicate when this relaxation is applicable.
- On school 'Sport Days' students may wear 'running shoes' that may not comply with our day to day shoe attire expectations, after making direct contact with the administration.

Girls Day Uniform	Boys Day Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCSS tartan dress • PCSS formal blouse • PCSS tartan skort • PCSS navy formal shorts (unisex) • All black, fully enclosed lace-up or velcro shoes • PCSS white ankle socks • PCSS bucket hat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCSS formal shirt • PCSS navy formal shorts (unisex) • All black, fully enclosed lace-up or velcro shoes • PCSS white ankle socks • PCSS bucket hat
Unisex Sports Uniform	Unisex Winter Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCSS sport polo • PCSS sport short • All black, fully enclosed lace-up or velcro shoes • PCSS white ankle socks • PCSS bucket hat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCSS micro tracksuit jacket • PCSS micro tracksuit pants • PCSS knit jumper <p>For girls: Navy blue plain tights (not leggings)</p> <p><i>The tracksuit jacket and knit jumper may be worn with either uniform</i></p>

Picnic Creek Formal Uniform – Boys



Picnic Creek Formal Uniform – Girls



Picnic Creek Sports Uniform (Unisex)



Picnic Creek Track Suit (Unisex)



From Prep to Year 6, **all black, fully enclosed shoes** (including black laces and black soles) are to be worn with both the day and sports uniform. Only black formal school shoes or black joggers are acceptable. Velcro shoes may be worn. An all-black jogger may be worn with the Formal Uniform and the Sports Uniform.

Please note:

- *Basketball boots, high tops or ankle boots are not to be worn*
- *No slip-ons, ballet flats, heels, coloured laces, canvas or suede shoes are permitted*
- *Coloured joggers or trimmings are not permitted*

Examples of acceptable shoes



Examples of unacceptable shoes



School Bag

As a school it is our preference that all students attending use the Picnic Creek State school backpack. The school backpack meets requirements, such as quality, size and capacity, needed for school life and can be purchased from the uniform shop.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE AND PRESENTATION

Students are expected to be presented neatly at all times and to wear their uniform with pride. The following personal appearance aspects are also inclusive of our mandatory 'Student Dress Code' at Picnic Creek State School. The guidelines below are expectations for male and female students, alike.

Jewellery

- ✓ One wrist watch
- ✓ One earring (plain or flat studs) per ear lobe. No other body piercings are permitted.
- ✓ No bracelets, necklaces, ankle bracelets or rings.
- ✓ Items required for identification of medical conditions are permitted
- ✓ Note:
 - *Any item of approved jewellery may still be required to be removed in activities for safety reasons under Workplace Health and Safety legislation.*
 - *Consultation with the Principal is required for jewellery of cultural or religious significance*

Hair and Accessories

- ✓ Hairstyles to be neat, clean, tidy and well maintained
- ✓ Long hair (hair that is longer than collar length) is to be tied back
- ✓ Hair must be a natural colour
- ✓ Students may wear hair clips, hair ties and hair ribbons in school colours
- ✓ Hair styles, such as Mohawks, Dreadlocks, tracks, rats' tails and shaved undercuts, are not permitted

Make up and Body Markings

- ✓ Make up is not permitted
- ✓ Nail polish, nail patterns/art, nail jewellery or false nails are not permitted
- ✓ Tattoos or body markings are not permitted

NON COMPLIANCE WITH DRESS CODE

Consequences for students not in correct uniform may include the following:

- Contact home to parents
- Loss of lunch time play
- No hat, no outdoor play (undercover play only)
- Prevention from attending or participating in school activities that are not deemed essential curriculum activities, unless necessary for reasons of safety (in which case, alternative educational activities will be provided)
- Prevention from any activity for which the student would have been representing the school

Persistent failure of a student to uphold the code may result in more serious consequences, such as detention (as outlined in the **Department of Education, Training and Employment's policy: Student Dress Code**).

We understand that on rare occasions, due to circumstances beyond the control of the student and/or the student's parent some dress code items cannot be worn. In this instance, students must report to the class teacher or office and provide a note from home explaining the uniform breach and the period for which this will exist.

COMMUNITY ENDORSEMENT OF THE CODE

The Picnic Creek State School P & C resolves that it supports this Student Dress Code. The Association believes that the Code promotes the objectives of Education Queensland (General Provisions) Act 2006 through providing a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by:

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