



MURPHY'S CREEK STATE SCHOOL

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School Uniform & Dress Code

School Uniform

All items are available from the school tuckshop which is open daily between 9:00 am and 1:30 pm. The tuckshop is also open the last week of the Christmas school vacation between 9am and 12 noon. A quantity of low priced, second-hand clothing is also available for purchase from the tuckshop. The dress code will be reviewed over time to take into account changing fashions and community expectations.

SHIRT	Bottle Green polo shirt with a collar – available from P&C uniform co-ordinator
SHORTS OR WRAP-AROUND SKIRT OR CULOTTES	Bottle green – In addition, children may wear bottle green bike pants (not lycra material) or bottle green sports briefs (runners) under the sports skirt or culottes. (Other colours are not considered appropriate.)
SHOES (compulsory)	Fully enclosed shoes or joggers with predominantly white socks. Thongs and sandals are not suitable (even for Free Dress Days)
HAT (compulsory)	Dark green broad-brimmed hat. N.B. baseball caps & 'bucket' hats are not considered appropriate as they do not offer effective protection to the sides of the face, ears or back of neck.
TRACKSUIT OR JUMPER	Bottle green
JACKET	Bottle green – available from P&C uniform co-ordinator

Inappropriate Dress

Inappropriate Dress is not permitted at the school.

Inappropriate dress refers to clothing or apparel the student wears that is, or could be deemed to be:

- offensive; e.g. displaying offensive language, signs, images or symbols, etc.
- likely to disrupt, or negatively influence, the normal operation of the school;
- unsafe for the student or others; e.g. large earrings, necklaces, etc.
- likely to result in a risk to the health of the student or others e.g. lack of a hat, shoes, dirty clothing etc.
- clothing that supports sports clubs is not permitted

Jewellery

For safety reasons, we discourage the wearing of jewellery at school.

Acceptable jewellery items are:

- Plain small earring sleepers or plain small earring studs
- A wrist watch
- Students may be given permission to wear jewellery for other reasons (ie. Religious, medi-alert) after discussions with the Principal

Body Piercing

Due to workplace health and safety concerns, body piercing is not permitted other than as mentioned above – a maximum of two studs or sleepers in each ear lobe.

Hair

Hair style and colour are an integral part of the neat presentation of a student. As such, hair styles and colouring should be appropriate for school in that they do not distract from the core functions of teaching and learning. It is best that hair colour be the student's natural colour.

Make-Up

The wearing of make-up is not encouraged. Natural or skin coloured make-up is permissible.

- Some examples of make-up which should not be worn include:- coloured nail polish, coloured face make-up, coloured lipstick, coloured sunburn cream, glitter, mascara, tattoos, etc.

Exemptions from the Dress Code

- Our objective is to have all students uphold the dress code however the school is aware of circumstances where temporary exemptions may be required e.g.
 - For new students to the school
 - While students await the purchase of a replacement lost or stolen item e.g. a hat
 - Where inclement weather makes uniforms unavailable
- Permanent exemptions may be granted in exceptional circumstances. For example, certain items may be exempt for students:-
 - with a physical impairment
 - due to religious beliefs or cultural grounds

Consequences for Non-compliance

For cases of non-compliance with the Dress Code, a variety of steps may be taken such as:-

- Advising the student s/he is not following the dress code and seeking their support
- Advising the parents and seeking their support
- For families who suffer economic hardship, the school, at its discretion, may offer assistance to assist students to comply with the dress code.
- The school may choose to impose sanctions for non-compliance. These consequences would occur on a once only basis per episode of non-compliance. Consequences are reflective of the severity and recentness of the non-compliance and are limited to one of the following:
 - Imposing a detention for a student during lunch or after school (if after school, inform parents before detention occurs);
 - Preventing student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which student is representing school; or
 - Preventing student from attending or participating in any school activity that is not an essential school educational program.