



# DRESS CODE POLICY

Newborough Primary School



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### Purpose

This policy serves as a guide on the implementation of Department of Education Dress Code policy, within the context of the Newborough Primary School environment. It provides enrolling parents with an understanding of the dress code that will apply to their child/ren and sets out the requirements for clean and appropriate dress. These expectations apply while at school, and when representing the school out-of-hours. This policy further outlines scenarios where modification or exemption may be granted to an individual, as well as measures in place for handling matters where students are not adhering to the dress code.

### Rationale

The Newborough Primary School dress code reflects the standards expected of our students and affords the school several benefits:

- Foster and enhance the public image of the school
- Assist in building school and team spirit
- Encourage equality among students
- Improves safety of students, through easier identification
- Ensures students are appropriately dressed for school activities

All students are expected to meet the dress code, except where an exemption has been provided.

### Policy Statement

- a) Newborough Primary School's Dress Code policy has been developed by the Newborough School Board and endorsed by the Newborough P&C Association and by the 2022 student leadership group.
- b) Support and assistance are provided where there are difficulties in complying with the dress code requirements.
- c) The principal may grant exemptions based on unavailability of an item, a student health matter, religious beliefs or cultural background of the student or student's family or any other issue the principal deems sufficient. Exemptions are managed according to the principles of equity, fairness and consistency. They may be formal or informal and may apply for brief or long-term periods.
- d) The principal will inform parents and students in writing about any changes to the school's dress code and allow sufficient time for students to comply with the changes.

### Newborough Uniform

The Newborough uniform comprises the following items and includes both summer and winter options. The choice to wear the summer or winter uniform is at the discretion of the parent/child and would likely be dependent on weather, rather than season.

Items are available to purchase through JFE Uniforms, unless otherwise indicated.

Uniform Type	Items	Comments
Whole School Kindy - Y6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Kindy T-Shirt (Green)</li> <li>School Pre-Primary T-Shirt</li> <li>School Polo T-shirt (Gold)</li> <li>Sports Skirts (Bottle Green)</li> <li>Skort (Bottle Green or Tartan)</li> <li>Dress (Tartan)</li> <li>Shorts (Bottle Green)</li> <li>Fleece zip jacket (Bottle Green)</li> <li>Microfibre Zip Jacket (Bottle Green)</li> <li>Track Pants (Bottle Green)</li> <li>Wide Brimmed School Hat (Bottle Green)</li> <li>Covered footwear (shoes/trainers)</li> <li>Leggings or tights (Bottle Green or Black)</li> </ul>	<p>Kindy only</p> <p>Pre-primary only</p> <p>Years 1 to 6 only</p> <p>Sandals allowed for Kindy &amp; PP only</p> <p>Not available at JFE Uniforms</p>
Faction Sport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Manning Faction T-Shirt (Red)</li> <li>Connor Faction T-Shirt (Yellow)</li> <li>Corbett Faction T-Shirt (Green)</li> </ul>	Use restricted to Sports
Leavers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Leavers Microfibre Polo Shirt</li> </ul>	
Choir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choir Polo Shirt (White)</li> <li>Long Pants (Black)</li> </ul>	Loaned by School
Interschool Sports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Sport Polo</li> </ul>	Loaned by School
Other Sport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Football Uniform</li> <li>Netball Uniform</li> </ul>	Ordered through sport coordinator

## Additional Notes

- Footwear – Closed in shoes / sneakers are to be worn by all children unless specific permission has been given e.g., during in-term swimming lessons. PP and Kindy students have the option to wear sandals.
- Hats – A sun-safe wide-brimmed hat, preferably the green school hat, must be worn throughout the year when outdoors. Baseball caps are not allowed.
- Hair – Hair should be neat, tidy and out of children’s eyes. Children with long hair (collar length) should have it tied back for safety / convenience reasons.

- Jewellery / Make-up - Jewellery, including necklaces, bracelets, rings and nail polish are not to be worn. Children with pierced ears may only wear plain studs or small plain sleepers. Makeup is not to be worn without express permission e.g., for an assembly performance.

## Special Activities

Children taking part in an excursion must be dressed in school uniform, unless official exemption has been granted. In the case of the following special activities, exceptions to the standard dress code are permitted:

- The wearing of non-uniform clothing is allowed for special functions / activities such as for book week or a fun, free dress day. Such activities will be announced in newsletters and special notes home. If a child is not taking part in the activity, they will be expected to wear normal uniform.
- Children taking part in special school sporting or cultural activities will wear school owned uniforms including interschool polo shirts, football jumpers, soccer shirts and choir polo shirts.
- Children may wear coloured faction t shirts when doing P.E or sports lessons.

## Non-Compliance

Issues of non-compliance will be addressed in the following manner:

- a) Verbal counselling of student
- b) Letter home to the parents seeking their support and inviting their written comment and/or a meeting with the principal
- c) The matter will be referred to the “School Dress Advisory Panel”

If a satisfactory resolution cannot be achieved, the principal may prevent the student from:

- Attending any activity where the student might be representing the school
- Attending or participating in any school activity which, in the opinion of the principal, is not an essential part of the student’s education program.

Note: Where a child arrives at school wearing an offensive or inappropriate item of clothing, parents will be contacted, and arrangements made for the child to go home and change. If this is not possible, the child will be given a clean item of clothing from the second-hand uniform shop.

A child will not be permitted to play outside unless wearing a wide brimmed hat. In the absence of a suitable hat, the child will remain on the veranda or in the undercover area.

## Legislation

The following legislation applies to this policy.

- School Education Act 1999, sections 128 (d), 140 (d) and 123.
- School Education Regulations 2000, Regulations 33 to 36.
- Occupational Health and Safety Act 1996.
- Equal Opportunity Act 1984.