School Uniform Policy

This policy has been formulated in line with, and includes extracts from, the following documents:

School Uniform Policy - PD20040025 New South Wales Department of Education and Training

School Uniforms in New South Wales Government Schools New South Wales Department of Education and Training Student Welfare Directorate

Core Rules: Student discipline in NSW Government Schools New South Wales Department of Education and Training

At Sherwood Grange Public School we expect our students to wear school uniform because we believe that the wearing of a school uniform:

- provides an opportunity to build school spirit and defines our school identity within the broader community;
- promotes positive community perceptions of public education;
- promotes a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity;
- reinforces the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment; and
- increases the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school.

Our school uniform:

- ensures gender equity by providing girls and boys with equal access to the full range of school activities:
- caters for all students in the school community in a manner sensitive to cultural and religious diversity:
- promotes the health and safety of students by identifying items necessary for particular activities e.g. sports clothing, hats for sun protection; and
- includes items that are affordable, comfortable and appropriate for wide ranging activities.

School responsibilities:

Positive reinforcement and encouraging responsible behaviour are the preferred approaches to ensuring that our students wear the school uniform. Teachers will maintain high expectations for the wearing of school uniforms. This will include reminding students about what is expected and discussing uniform matters with them. Staff may contact Parents/caregivers to discuss non adherence to uniform guidelines. Where appropriate, the school will provide support for families experiencing financial difficulties e.g. access to pre-loved clothing

Parents/caregivers responsibilities:

Parents/caregivers should ensure that their children are dressed in accordance with the school uniform policy and clothing guidelines. Parents/caregivers should notify the principal in writing if their child is out of school uniform. Parents/caregivers should speak with the school principal as soon as possible if support is required.

Student Responsibilities:

Students are expected to maintain a neat and tidy appearance, including adhering to the requirements of the school's uniform policy and clothing guidelines.

P & C Responsibilities:

The coordination of the P&C Uniform Shop. The coordination of pre-loved items for sale. The provision of pre-loved items for families experiencing financial difficulties.

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Revised Guidelines endorsed by P&C Term 3 and activated in Term 4 2010

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