

Rationale

All public schools are required to have a dress code and students are required to comply with the code unless they have been granted an exemption.

At Ardross Primary School, our staff and School Board have established a Dress Code for all students attending the school.

At Ardross Primary School...

All public schools have a uniform that students from PP- Yr 6 must wear every day. Kindergarten students are encouraged to wear their uniform.

Modification of the school uniform to meet the religious, cultural or medical needs of individual students can be granted by the principal.

The P&C operates a school uniform shop. Orders can be completed online through the school website or by visiting the uniform shop in person.

Clothing of the same style and colour may be purchased from alternative sources.

Acceptance of enrolment at Ardross PS assumes that parents will support the school's dress code.

Benefits of a Dress Code

A Dress Code...

- *Promotes a positive image of the school.*
- *Creates a sense of community and belonging among students.*
- *Promotes safety of students through easier identification.*
- *Keeps costs of clothing within reasonable limits for parents.*
- *Assists students to learn the importance of appropriate presentation.*

Student Dress Code Requirements

Polo Shirt - Yellow with School Logo

Bottle Green Shorts

(Gabardine/Cargo/Lightweight Sports Shorts)
Shorts are to be no longer than knee length

Green & White Check School Dress

Bottle Green Sports Skirt or Skort

Bottle Green Zip Jacket

Bottle Green Track Pants (Stretch Knit) or Cargo Pants

Bottle Green Rain Jacket (Nylon, Fleece-lined)
It is preferred that winter tops include the school logo.

Bottle Green or Black Leggings
Leggings may only be worn under a school dress, bottle green skirt, skort or shorts (not as a solo item)

*Denim, beanies, and board shorts **ARE NOT** considered part of our dress code.
Shirts and shorts with slogans, messages, picture designs or advertising **ARE NOT** acceptable.*

Transition to Updated School Logo

In 2020, Ardross PS introduced an updated school logo. Families have been provided time to transition school uniforms from those featuring the previous logo to those featuring the current logo.

From 2024, all school polo shirts should feature the current school logo.

From 2025, all uniform items featuring a school logo, should feature the current school logo.

Additional

Footwear	<p>Sneakers, sandals, or enclosed shoes are required. Thongs or slip-on shoes (including Crocs) ARE NOT appropriate.</p> <p>It is recommended that all footwear be suitable for physical activity.</p> <p>Socks must not reach above the knee. Bold, bright socks are not permitted.</p>
Hats	<p>A bottle green broad-brimmed (8-10cm) hat is to be worn outside all year round. All other hats ARE NOT considered acceptable.</p>
Sports	<p>Students should have a Faction polo shirt (Faction colour with white stripe containing the faction name).</p> <p>Faction shirts are to be worn ONLY on Physical Education or school sports days. Students are encouraged to wear sneakers/trainers during all Phys Ed lessons.</p> <p>The Physical Education teacher will ensure that interschool sports uniforms are available for selected students (if applicable).</p>
Jewellery	<p>Only studs or sleepers earrings, watches, and cultural and medical bracelets may be worn. No other jewellery is considered appropriate.</p> <p>When participating in physical activity, students may be required to remove items of jewellery.</p> <p>Smart watches or other wearable devices with internet connectivity must be in aeroplane mode.</p>
Hair & Make-Up	<p>Hair which is shoulder-length or below should be tied back at all times. Fringes must be kept out of the eyes (either cut short or clipped back).</p> <p>Permanent unnatural colour hair dye is NOT allowed. The use of temporary hair dye is acceptable only during sports carnivals and themed dress-up days.</p> <p>Cosmetics ARE NOT permitted unless culturally appropriate.</p>
Graduation Shirt	<p>The Graduation (Leavers') shirt is only to be worn by students in Year 6, and is considered to be part of the school uniform. Graduation shirts are to feature the school colours, have the school logo on the front, and the graduating students' names and year on the back.</p> <p>All Year 6 students should acquire a graduation shirt as they may be required to wear this on special occasions.</p>
River Rangers	<p>The River Rangers shirt is to be blue and include the school's name and appropriate insignia.</p> <p>The school will provide each selected student with a River Rangers shirt.</p> <p>The River Rangers shirt is to be worn while participating in official River Rangers Activities.</p>

Uniform Supply

In accordance with Ardross Primary School's Vision, School Values and Sustainability Policy, consideration will be given to issues of sustainability and ethics when sourcing uniform items to be sold through the school.

Procedures for Non-Compliance with the Dress Code

At Ardross Primary School, breaches of the dress code (student) will result in:

- Parents being notified that their child is inappropriately dressed.
- Assistance or support to obtain suitable clothing (if necessary).
- Counselling of the students on the expectations and benefits of the school uniform.
- Students not following the dress code will be unable to attend excursions, or represent the school at interschool events, community events or official school functions.

Ratified by School Board June 2024