Uniforms - Dress Code

The P&C of Childers State School resolves that it supports a student dress code policy at our school promotes the objectives of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 and in particular that it:

- Promotes a safe environment for learning by enabling ready identification of students and non-students of the school;
- Promotes an effective teaching and learning environment by eliminating the distraction of competition in dress and fashion at the school;
- Promotes a supportive environment at the school by fostering a sense of belonging; and
- Fosters mutual respect among individuals at the school by minimising visible evidence of economic, class or social differences.”

At a meeting of the Parents & Citizens’ Association on 17th August, 211 a decision was taken to review the Student Dress Code. Subsequently, consultation with student and staff representatives was established and input from school community members was invited. The Parents & Citizens’ Association has endorsed the Childers State School Dress Code.

a. General Requirements

- Students with a note from their parents to explain a dress code anomaly should understand the note provides information to the Principal for a reasoned decision to be made. It does not provide automatic permission for not adhering to school procedures/rules. To avoid students losing learning time the note should be taken to the office prior to the commencement of the school day.
- Should the situation ever arise that a school uniform is not able to worn on a particular day, alternative clothing should be either plain coloured or as close to school colours as possible. Students wearing inappropriate multi-coloured clothing or which displays inappropriate slogans and pictures will, wherever possible, be provided with a school uniform for the day from the school supply. If an item of clothing is offensive and no appropriate school uniform is available, the students may be required to complete a detention or refused permission to attend a particular activity.
- Students may not wear sandals or thongs to school. However sandals can be worn for swimming. If a student is injured, normal school footwear must be worn on the uninjured foot with a sandal and a sock on the injured foot.
- Polo shirt may be worn outside of shorts/skirts, except where otherwise directed for safety reasons. However, shorts and skirts must be clearly visible below shirt.
- All clothing worn must be of a length that complies with modesty and sun safe requirements as determined by the Sun Safe Policy or the Principal.
- Hats must be sunsafe ie. Broad brimmed hats, bucket hats or legionnaires cap.
- Shorts and pants should be plain black.
- Cosmetic make-up in the form of moderate foundation may be worn however, nail polish, is inappropriate for the school environment and must not be worn.
- Hair accessories should complement school uniform colours and should not be used as simply fashion accessories. Hair colour must be a natural colour.
- Hair styles and colours should be such that they do not distract from learning.
- District, Zone and Regional school representative uniforms are also appropriate to be worn by recipient only.
- Shorts need to be of correct fitting, appropriate style for physical activity.

b. Jewellery

The following pieces of jewellery may be worn at school:

- A wrist watch
- A plain ring
- A plain single neck chain of moderate size worn under shirt
- Plain sleepers or stud earrings (no attachments)
- It is not permissible to wear any other form of visible body piercing/adornment.
- It is not permissible to wear a chain of any kind as a belt, attachment to a belt or similar.
- It is not permissible to wear sweat bands of any type for general day wear.
- Medical alert bracelets or necklaces are acceptable.
• A limit of two school approved silicon bands may be worn.

c. Uniforms

Prep
• Green polo shirt with white trim printed school badge

• Approved black fitted shorts that are of an acceptable length. Very short shorts are not acceptable. A guide for deciding whether shorts are of an acceptable length is that they should be no longer than just below the knee and no shorter than extended fingertip length.

• White crew socks

• Black sneakers or closed in shoes (skate shoes are not considered suitable footwear)

• Badges can be obtained from the school office to go on the shirts

If the dress is worn then shorts or tights should be worn underneath as prep students are involved in climbing activities.

Years 1-7

Girls
• Green polo shirt with white trim printed school badge.

• Approved black fitted shorts, that are of an acceptable length. Very short shorts are not acceptable. A guide for deciding whether shorts are of an acceptable length is that they should be no longer than just below the knee and no shorter than extended fingertip length.

• Green check dress.

• White crew socks

• Black sneakers or closed in shoes (skate shoes are not considered suitable footwear)

Boys
• Green polo shirt with white trim printed school badge

• Approved black fitted shorts, that are of an acceptable length. Very short shorts are not acceptable. A guide for deciding whether shorts are of an acceptable length is that they should be no longer than just below the knee and no shorter than extended fingertip length.

• White crew socks (visible)

• Black sneakers or closed in shoes (skate shoes are not considered suitable footwear)

All Year Levels

General Clothing to be Worn Summer or Winter

• Black track pants or long fitted pants. (No jeans)
• Black sweatshirt or similar item of clothing.
• Plain black jacket
• Approved school hat – plain green with logo
d. **Uniform Sales**

Uniforms are available from In-Style Mensland, Electra Street, Bundaberg. A sample of each size in the polo shirt is available at the school office for sizing. Uniform dresses are not stocked at In-Style Mensland and will need to be ordered. Hats with the school logo and shorts with the school logo are also available for purchase at Inn Style Mensland.