

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Purpose

The purpose of this dress code is to outline the school's expectation in relation to student dress and presentation. We expect that students will come to school with clothing and hair that is neat, clean and appropriate to the activities undertaken by students at the school from day to day. With an understanding that children are in the early stages of developing a sense of their own identity (or "I"), we ask that students wear neutral clothing and hairstyles. We acknowledge the needs of some cultural practices and aim to meet these needs when they arise.

Scope

This dress code applies to all students attending CSSK.

1. Clothing

Clothing is to be plain with no logos or large pictures (logos, writing or pictures must be smaller than the palm of the student's hand). Clothing must not contain offensive or inappropriate images or writing. Students who come to school with a large picture or logo, or anything offensive or inappropriate, will be asked to turn it inside out or change if they have a spare.

In keeping with the lack of commercial or advertising matter in the school, we also ask parents to ensure students are not wearing clothes printed with logos or promotional material. Small brand labels which can be covered with the palm of the hand are acceptable.

- a) Clothing should be neat and clean (no torn or ripped clothing or footwear).
- b) Shorts/skirts need to be longer than mid-thigh.
- c) Tops must be simple and must cover the shoulders, stomach, kidney and chest areas.
- d) Dresses must be simple and must cover the shoulders and chest area, and length must be mid-thigh or longer.
- e) No costume dress to be worn to school (fairy, mermaid, cowboy etc.) unless for an appropriate specific event (book week for example)
- f) No transparent/see-through clothes are to be worn
- g) Pants should cover underwear and allow for free movement
- h) **Hats**: School hats must be worn between 1st September and 1st May each year every time the student is outside (this includes on camps and excursions). If hats are lost, the school will provide a replacement, and the parents will be invoiced for the replacement.
- i) **Shoes**: Students must wear shoes at all times when outside. Shoes should be appropriate for active play. Thongs, crocs, light sandals or shoes with high heels must not be worn to school.

- j) Slippers or inside shoes should be brought to school to wear in the classrooms note these should be plain and functional (no novelty slippers please)
- k) **Senior School (Classes 6-8)** covered shoes are required to be worn in the science room and in the woodwork room.
- PE/Sport/Movement Classes: Students must wear loose fitting clothing which allows free movement. Note that skirts and jeans are not appropriate for these classes.
- m) Senior School (Classes 6-8) students are expected to wear the following for all PE/Sport sessions:
 - 1. Runners (lace free runners are acceptable)
 - 2. Loose fitting clothing suitable for free movement e.g., shorts, leggings, tracksuit pants (no jeans, skirts or dresses)
 - 3. Sport Polo Top (a school sport top will be available for purchase)
- n) On cold and raining days, students must be warmly dressed. Students must have appropriate rain wear for outdoor play in wet weather (hat, waterproof coat and waterproof footwear).

Consequences:

Students wearing clothing which does not comply with the dress code will be asked to change or cover up any unsuitable clothing. Parents may be asked to bring in appropriate clothing if no suitable alternative can be arranged at school.

2. Hair

- a) Hair is to be well groomed (not matted or dreadlocked), clean and tidy.
- b) Hair which is shoulder length or longer must be tied back the school can provide hair ties when needed.
- c) Junior School Hair must not be dyed
- d) Senior School (Classes 6-8) We do not encourage dyed hair, however dyed natural hair colours are acceptable. No crazy colours/non-natural colours allowed e.g. Purple, pink, blue, red, green, peroxide blonde or orange.

Consequences:

- a) Students wearing make-up or nail polish to school will be asked to remove it before they join the
- b) Students with hair styled outside of the above guidelines will be asked to have the hair returned to undyed/natural colour before returning to school the next day.

3. Make-Up and Jewellery

- a) Make-up is not to be worn to school.
- b) No coloured lip gloss or lip balm is to be worn to school
- c) Nail polish is not to be worn to school.
- d) Senior School students are asked to bring roll-on or stick deodorant to school
- e) No transfers or skin markings are to be worn to school (other than for approved cultural reasons)

- f) No jewellery (earrings, bracelets, necklaces, rings etc.) are to be worn to school, with the exception of studs and simple sleepers worn in the ear lobes. Senior school (classes 6-8) students may wear a simple band ring.
- g) Watches: Need to be simple with an analogue face with no Bluetooth or Internet connectivity and alarms and sounds must be turned off for school. Note that watches are not encouraged for Class 1 students.

Consequences:

- a) Students will be asked to remove any make-up or nail polish worn to school (nail polish remover is provided at the office)
- b) Students will be asked to remove any jewellery which is outside the above guidelines. Note the school will not take responsibility for the loss or damage of any items of jewellery.

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