

# Bateman Primary School

## Dress Code Policy

September 2022

## Policy Statement

A dress code policy is designed to ensure that all students are appropriately dressed for school and present a positive impression of quality school standards.

At Bateman Primary School we believe that a dress code:

- Instils a sense of school spirit and pride
- Promotes a sense of self-identify and self-esteem
- Identifies Bateman Primary School students to the wider community
- Promotes equality
- Fosters a sense of community and belonging among students.

## Procedures

Parents will be made aware of the Dress Code at Bateman Primary at the time of enrolment. Acceptance of enrolment at Bateman Primary School assumes that parents/guardians will support the school's dress code.

Modification or exemptions of the school uniform to meet the religious, ethnic, or medical needs of individual students can be granted by the Principal. Parents are encouraged to speak with the Principal at the time of enrolment or submit their request in writing.

The P&C operates a school uniform shop. In addition, order forms are available through the front office and online through the school website.

The wearing of the school uniform at all times is expected for students in PP – Y6. Kindergarten students are welcomed to dress in the "Kindy T-shirt", although not compulsory.

## Non-Compliance with the Dress Code

Breaches of the dress code (student) will result in:

- Counselling of the students on the expectations and benefits of the school uniform
- Assistance or support to obtain suitable clothing (if necessary)

If the student fails to comply with the dress code on multiple occasions, then parents/guardians will be notified and may result in a parent/school meeting and a strike against the student's Good Standing.

Under Regulation 36(2) of the *School Education Regulations 2000*, the Principal may do one or both of the following things:

- prevent the student from attending any activity in respect of which the student would have been representing the school; or
- prevent the student from attending or participating in any school activity which, in the opinion of the Principal, is not part of the essential educational program of the school.

## Student Dress Code Requirements

<b>Shirt*:</b>	<p>Bateman Primary School Polo Shirt with school logo as supplied by Bateman Primary School Uniform Shop. All other shirts or tops are <b>not</b> acceptable.</p> <p>In colder weather long black or white sleeve tops are accepted when worn under the Polo Shirt.</p>
<b>Sporting Shirt*:</b>	<p>The Bateman Primary School Faction Polo with school logo, as supplied by Bateman Primary School Uniform Shop.</p> <p>Faction shirts are to be worn on Fridays and school sports days.</p>
<b>Graduation Shirt*:</b>	<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.</p>
<b>Bottoms:</b>	<p>Must be black in colour and no shorter than mid-thigh length. Bottoms include shorts, skirts, skorts, and boy-leg sports pants.</p>
<b>Pants:</b>	<p>Must be black in colour.</p>
<b>Leggings:</b>	<p>Leggings must be black in colour.</p>
<b>Hosiery:</b>	<p>Tights and other hosiery that are of a sheer/thin material can only be worn under a skirt, skort or shorts.</p>
<b>Dress*:</b>	<p>A black and white checkered school dress is acceptable.</p> <p>Please note the Bateman Primary School Uniform Shop will no longer be ordering new stock of this item. It is being phased out due to a lack of strong demand.</p>
<b>Jackets:</b>	<p>Bateman Primary School black zip up jacket with school logo or any other black jacket, polar fleece, or windcheater.</p>
<b>Hat*:</b>	<p>A black Bateman Primary School hat, as supplied by Bateman Primary School Uniform Shop, is to be worn all year round. All other hats are <b>not</b> considered acceptable.</p> <p>The school has a <i>No Hat No Play</i> Policy which requires students to wear approved school hats for all outdoor activities.</p>

Uniform items are available for purchase from the Uniform Shop on a designated morning or by completing an order form which is available from the school office. Pre-loved uniform items are also available for purchase.

Items without an asterisk (\*) which are of the same style and colour may be purchased from alternate sources. Clothing with inappropriate slogans, messages, picture designs or advertising are **not** acceptable.

### Additional Items

<b>Footwear</b>	Appropriate footwear needs to be worn at all times. Preferred footwear being runners, sneakers, closed shoes, boots and sandals with heel strap.  No thongs, flip-flops or slides. <i>*only acceptable for attending swimming events.</i>
<b>Hair</b>	For Health and Safety reasons, all shoulder length hair should be tied back and away from the face.
<b>Jewellery</b>	Jewellery should be restricted to sleepers or studs.  Watches may be worn. All Smart watches must be on aeroplane mode during school hours
<b>Make-Up</b>	No make-up or nail polish should be worn to school.

### School Representation

Students participating in excursions are required to wear a school approved uniform.

Specific dress requirements and footwear may apply to special events or activities.

Interschool Events - The Physical Education teacher will ensure that interschool sports uniforms are available for selected students.

### Financial Difficulties

Families experiencing financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform should speak to the school office.

This policy has had input from both parents and staff and has been endorsed by the Bateman Primary School Board. Changes to the school uniform may be considered in consultation with the Principal, P&C, School Board and wider parent community.

*Next Review Date: Term 3 2024*