



General Points of Information for Parents

Wednesday, March 08, 2023

To follow are a few general points of information for parents:

Uniforms

The wearing of school uniform is compulsory at Lyndhurst Primary School. The uniform policy is there for reasons of uniformity of appearance, pride in the school, convenience for parents and security for children. Please ensure that your children are wearing the prescribed uniforms at all times. On those odd occasions when the drier has broken down or the dog has eaten the only clean shirt, please send a note along. There can often be “variations” that appear in children’s uniforms and that is disappointing. The uniform is attractive, comfortable, functional and good value for money. We don’t want a whole lot of variations appearing. Changes to the school uniform are approved by School Council. I ask for all parents to support our efforts to maintain this important part of our school culture. We are proud of our uniform and we hope that the children feel the same.

Black only footwear at school

In 2017, a proposal for a change to the Student Dress Code to cover footwear which has previously not been covered well in the policy, was presented to the PFA and the School Council. The change has been prompted by a rise in the amount of inappropriate footwear being worn by children and some teasing that has been happening, especially in senior grades, regarding issues like cost and brand names. The proposal has been strongly supported by the PFA and the School Council and the new regulations come into force during term 1 to allow parents some transition time. Essentially, we will be insisting on black only footwear. The new wording in the policy is shown here:

3.13 Footwear:

- *Safe, comfortable footwear must be worn at all times.*
- *All footwear must be black with no visible logos, colors or decoration.*
- *Footwear may be school shoes or sports shoes as long as they are black.*
- *Footwear must completely enclose the foot, must fit firmly and comfortably and must be appropriate for a range of school activities.*
- *Footwear must be in good and serviceable condition.*
- *Children may wear sports shoes that are not black, only whilst they are participating in school sport activities.*
- *Open toed footwear is not acceptable under playground conditions. Thongs, surf thongs and/or open-toed sandals may only be worn whilst in attendance at swimming programs.*

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