



Chapman Primary School works with families to assist students to become responsible, caring and cooperative learners who actively participate in a broad curriculum that serves their present needs and provides a secure grounding for later learning and living.

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Chapman Primary School's Dress Standard and Colour Code Policy

Supporting the school vision and student outcomes

at

Chapman Primary School

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POLICY STATEMENT

All ACT Public Schools have a uniform, colour code or school dress standard. The uniform at Chapman Primary School may include colour code as well as the official uniform with logos attached.

RATIONALE

The school colour code or uniform reflects community standards and are consistent with occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination, equal opportunity legislation and the Education and Training Directorate's Sun Protection policy.

DEFINITIONS

Dress Standard

A dress standard is a detailed written statement of the expectations that Chapman Primary School holds regarding student appearance.

Colour Code

School colour code refers to the colours chosen by Chapman Primary School's School Board to represent the school for uniforms and other items of identification. The colours of Chapman Primary School are red, white and black.

School Uniform

A school uniform consists of a limited range of clothing that identifies students as belonging to Chapman Primary School.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

All students are expected to wear school uniform and take pride in being a part of Chapman Primary School. Where uniform is not available for some reason, it is desirable that students wear the school colour code. The school colour code for Chapman Primary School is red, white and black.

The Chapman Primary School uniform is outlined in the table below.

- Red polo top (long or short sleeve) with Chapman logo
- Red fleecy windcheater with zip
- Red polar fleece full zip or ¼ zip jacket/top with Chapman logo
- Red & black light warmup jacket with Chapman logo
- Black shorts
- Black pants (fleecy track, cargo and bootleg)
- Black skort/skirt
- Grey, red & white check winter pinafore
- Red & white check summer dress
- Red legionnaire hat with Chapman logo
- Red wide brim hat with Chapman logo
- Optional red polar fleece beanie for winter months
- White or black socks
- Black shoes
- Runners

All students must wear a red broad-brimmed or legionnaire hat, or beanie (winter months) with school logo.

Black stockings or footless tights may be worn only with the winter tunic, summer dress or skort/skirt.

Black bike shorts may only be worn if they are not visible. They may be worn for gym, dance etc, when top clothing is removed.

Not Allowed

- Jeans
- Jumpers with hoods (hoodies)
- Colours than otherwise specified, except for sporting carnivals or other specified events
- Baseball caps

All items above, except stockings, tights and bike shorts, are available from the School Uniform Shop.

The School Uniform Shop is open from 9.00am - 9.30am each Monday and 8.30am – 9.30am each Friday. Orders can be left at the school with payment and will be sent home with your child.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Students attending Chapman Primary School are expected to come dressed in school uniform or colour code during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when engaged in school activities out of school.

Students are reminded of the school dress standard through class meetings and assemblies as well as individually when required. Students will not be disadvantaged where required dress standards are not available because of circumstances beyond their control.

Parents are informed in writing of the school's Dress Standard and Colour Code policy which is found on the school website and in the school handbook. Parents are informed of the school uniform and where it is available when they enrol their children. All excursion notes contain a reminder of the need for full school uniform to be worn.

Chapman Primary School P&C operates a uniform shop at the school offering preloved items and regularly advertise opening hours. All parents and their children have equal access to these items of clothing as needed either by contacting the P&C or the Chapman Front Office.

Teachers and other school staff model appropriate dress standards for students by dressing in a professional manner at all times.

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH DRESS CODE

All students at Chapman are expected to meet the dress standard unless an exemption has been granted.

Strategies used to deal with non-compliance of a student to uphold the required dress standard include:

- positive reinforcement and encouragement of responsible behaviour,
- the offer of appropriate items from the Chapman uniform shop,
- preventing students from attending school activities which, in the opinion of the Principal, are not part of the educational program,
- prevention of participation in specific activities where dress standards are key requirements,
- informing parents or carers of non-compliance to prevent reoccurrence, and
- implementing a process of mediation if a student persistently wears inappropriate dress after discussions have been held with parents or carers.

Special Considerations

The Principal will consider the following when resolving matters of student dress standards:

- mobile families,
- unavailability of an item,
- student's health,
- economic hardship,
- conscientious objection for religious or cultural reasons, and
- an exemption to wearing dress standard granted by the Principal.