MUSWELLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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DRESS and APPEARANCE CODE POLICY

Rationale:

Following extensive discussions with students, staff and P & C representatives, the parent body endorsed the following Dress and Appearance Code Policy for students that attend Muswellbrook Public School. This was ratified by the P & C Association in August 2016.

In designing these expectations we have taken into account the very strong desire for our school to be a school of excellence, for our children to have pride in attending our school and the belief that children need to be well-groomed, clean to enable them to have the confidence to perform at their best.

Uniform:

Summer:

- Light blue polo shirt with embroidered emblem.
- Navy shorts/skorts
- Navy socks
- Navy wide brimmed hat or navy bucket hat. (Light blue hats in special circumstances).
- Black leather shoes or black leather joggers.

Winter: (as per Summer plus)

- Navy track pants or boot leg pants.
- Navy V-neck sloppy joe with embroidered emblem.
- Navy taslon school jacket with embroidered emblem.
- Navy fleece lined jacket.

Sport Uniform:

Students are required to wear their sports uniform on Friday and when advised. This involves:

- A sport shirt representing their house
- Appropriate shoes (joggers)
- Navy shorts/skorts

Children who come to school out of uniform will be asked to wear a clean uniform provided by the school and will be expected to have it washed and returned. Failure to wear school uniform may result in the child not being able to represent our school.

Appearance:

All children are expected to:

- Be clean and tidy each day. Children are allowed to bring roll-on deodorant if required. **Spray deodorant is** banned for safety reasons.
- Come to school with clean uniforms, clean hands, clean teeth and hair combed.
- Acceptable hair styles spikes, dreadlocks and Mohawk hair styles are considered unacceptable
- Coloured hair is also not permitted.
- Wear only blue scrunchies or head bands.
- Not have any body markings, transfer tattoos, texta or glitter (except on special occasions with the permission of the principal.)
- Wear only natural nail polish and clear lip gel.
- Wear only studs or sleepers in their ears with no more than two earrings in the lobe of each ear. One being a stud the other a sleeper.
- Wear only "special" jewellery such as medical bracelets which have significance to be worn. Children wishing to wear such items should discuss their intention with the deputy principal before choosing to wear them.
- Body piercing is not permitted to be worn at school or on any school activity.

NB: Many of these items are not allowed for school or sporting teams for WH&S reasons.

Clive Kerrigan - Principal