

# STUDENT UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE POLICY

## Purpose

The Anula Primary School Uniform Policy has been established to clarify expectations of students, families and the school. The intention is to promote a sense of community, equity and self-respect and to meet departmental requirements for the compulsory wearing of school uniform by students across the Northern Territory.

Wearing a school uniform affirms the individual student's acceptance of the values of Anula Primary School. It is an integral part of participating in school life, symbolising the equal basis from which students can develop and project a positive image. By minimising the impact of differing socioeconomic backgrounds, students are given the opportunity to be valued for what they do and say, not their appearance.

The uniform has been designed for comfort and durability in our tropical conditions and is priced to meet the needs of the community.

## Uniform Requirements

All compulsory uniform requirements are available for purchase through the front office (with the exception of long pants/leggings and shoes). Parents are able to use the Back-to-School Voucher to purchase uniform items in Term 1.

### Compulsory Uniform Components:

**Shirt:** School polo shirt with the Anula Primary School logo.

**Shorts/Skorts:** Plain green school uniform items.

**Long Pants/Leggings:** Plain green or black, no patterns, images or embellishments.

**Dress:** Official Anula Primary School dress.

**Hat:** A wide-brimmed hat (no caps, visors or beanies).

In keeping with the Anula Primary School Sun Safe Policy, students are unable to play outside in uncovered areas without a suitable hat.

**Footwear:** Sneakers/Sports shoes or black leather school shoes.

Thongs, Crocs, slides or backless shoes are not permitted. Sneakers/Sports shoes should be worn for all physical education and sport sessions.

## **Jewellery, Makeup and Accessories**

- Only studs or sleepers are permitted. Dangly earrings are not permitted for safety reasons.
- No visible makeup to be worn eg. lipstick, eye makeup, etc.
- Hair accessories should be simple
- Artificial/Press-on nails are not to be worn.

## **School Uniform Management / Enforcement**

The school uniform must be worn fully and correctly at all times. A child not in full uniform will be reminded by staff. If more than three reminders are given in a term, parents will be contacted by a senior staff member to discuss the matter and negotiate appropriate consequences.

Parents are expected to fully support the Uniform Policy and ensure children attend school as ambassadors of our school. Parents unsure of the expected standard should contact the Principal for clarification.

## **Exceptional Circumstances**

The school understands that there may be exceptional circumstances where students are unable to comply with the School Uniform Policy, including students who have recently arrived at the school. In these situations, parents are requested to contact the school to discuss their needs with senior staff and negotiate a mutually acceptable outcome.

The school holds a limited supply of uniforms to lend to students in emergency situations. When uniforms are loaned, families are requested to launder and return them promptly.

## **Secondhand Uniforms**

Secondhand uniforms donated back to the school are available to support families in exceptional circumstances and are also used in emergency situations. A small donation is requested when secondhand uniforms are issued.