

WHY DO WE ENCOURAGE A DRESS CODE?

It's easier to get your child dressed each morning.

School clothing is often cheaper to buy than other items.

Usually we have a range of secondhand clothing available at low prices.

Dress Code reduces the pressures on children and parents to keep up with current fashion trends.

People make positive comments about students in school colours.

Camp and excursion guidelines state that children should wear school uniform as children are more easily identifiable as belonging to a particular school, in case of emergency or mishap.

It is an opportunity for students to take pride in themselves and their school.



HISTORY

The School colours of Chocolate Brown and Bone were chosen by the interim School Council, after consultation with parents, before the school opened in February 1981. The reasoning for this choice of colours was that the parents of the day wanted something unique, something quite different to the other schools in Pt Augusta.

The Stirling North emblem (printed on school windcheaters and shirts) represents the two railway lines meeting at Stirling North, the Power Station, the Spencer Gulf, the Flinders Ranges and a sheep, indicating the pastoral industry - all significant to Stirling North.

Over more recent times, suggestions have been made to changing the school colours, but after a survey of the school families in 1997, the original colours were retained. Additional colours of gold and navy blue were added after a parent survey in 2004 and students were consulted.

Following a decision by Governing Council in 2003, the wearing of school uniform will become compulsory in 2005, starting with either the school's gold & navy blue polo shirt or a gold polo shirt.



STIRLING NORTH

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The School has a Compulsory Dress Code policy and all students are required to wear clothing within the school Dress Code.



SCHOOL DRESS CODE COLOURS

In 2005, students are to wear:

TOPS: either the school's gold & navy blue polo shirt (ordered through the school)

or gold polo shirt (which can be purchased through retail stores)

Winter tops, shorts and long pants to be decided upon in Term 1 2005.

The school check/tartan is also available in Summer & Winter fabrics, and can be made up in a variety of styles. Local people can make them-please ask at the front desk.

IMPORTANT:

Health & Safety Regulations:-

HATS with a 6cm brim are to be worn at all times during play and sports lessons.

SLEEVELESS TOPS are banned.

FOOTWEAR must be suitable for daily fitness activities and must be worn at all times.

THONGS & SLIP-ON SANDELS are not to be worn!

The wearing of make-up and **JEWELLERY** is strongly discouraged. Pierced ears must have either a small sleeper or stud only.

ON ORGANISED CASUAL CLOTHING DAYS:-

Clothing that is considered inappropriate must not be worn to school.

Clothing that exposes the shoulders and mid-riff pose serious health risks, due to UV exposure and are not to be worn.

Statements on shirts or sweaters, which do not promote a safe, moral, learning environment are unacceptable.

Parents/Caregivers may contact the Administration at school to clarify any issues of School Dress.

WHERE TO BUY SCHOOL CODE CLOTHING

The School takes orders for its polo shirt. Check with the front office for more information.

Various stores in Port Augusta stock suitable clothing in dress code colours. Contact the school for details on where to purchase material or where to get them made up.

IRON-ON SCHOOL LOGOS are available from the front office, in a choice of 3 colours (Brown, Gold or Navy).

SECONDHAND CLOTHING is sometimes available from the School. At times we have a variety of summer and winter items at very low costs.

Please enquire at the front office.

Hats are available for purchase at the front desk.

