

# **PAPATOETOE WEST SCHOOL**

## **Uniform Dress Code**

### **RATIONALE**

The Papatoetoe West School Uniform Rules promotes equitable learning outcomes for all students by equality of dress and fosters a sense of identity and pride in the school.

### **GOALS**

- To promote school spirit
- To develop students' self image and self esteem
- To remove any unhealthy peer pressure
- To provide a cost effective alternative to mufti
- To promote safety
- To establish our place within the community as a school with high standards

### **DRESS CODE**

1. The school has a uniform that every child is expected to wear correctly
  - School long or short sleeve polo shirt
  - Black track pants, shorts or skorts
  - School fleece jumper
  - School jacket (maroon)
  - Plain black lace up or velcro footwear or black school sandals (jandals, sandals without a back strap, or casual footwear like Crocs are not permitted).
  - Black or navy ankle socks
2. Every child is expected to abide by our school dress code which is as follows:
  - All uniform items should be named
  - Name tags must be worn
  - Small sleeper earrings or small studs are the only jewellery permitted (see note 3 below)
  - If students are not in the correct uniform they must provide a note/parent communication and a uniform pass is issued by the classroom teacher
  - Black tights (stockings) or leggings may be worn under track pants, shorts or skorts.
  - Black Kidscan jackets may be worn to and from school only
  - Dark coloured thermal tops may be worn under the school polo shirt in Winter.
  - Nail varnish is not to be worn
3. The Principal (or their delegate) may grant an exemption to the uniform or dress code. This will only be given for exceptional circumstances and only for a specified period of time. In some cases a cultural exemption may be considered. The appropriate staff will be informed of the time period. Exemptions will only be made by the sending of a written note to school signed by a parent or caregiver. The note must state the reason for the child's inability to either wear the uniform or for not abiding by the dress code.
4. The uniform and dress code will be stated in the school Information booklet. Children must be wearing our uniform before they will be admitted to a classroom. Uniforms are available from Angels Fashions 98 St George Street, Papatoetoe and NZ Uniforms from Unit 5, 20 Lambie Drive, Manukau.
5. Uniforms for sports teams/choir/band and so on are supplied by the school.
6. Sun hats are compulsory in terms one and four.