Grantham State School Uniform & Dress Code

**School Uniform**
All items are available from the school. Families may purchase items before or after school. A small quantity of low-priced, second-hand clothing is also available for purchase. The dress code will be reviewed over time to take into account changing fashions and community expectations.

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<th>Shirts</th>
<th>Royal blue polo shirt with Grantham State School around the collar.</th>
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<td>Shorts or Wrap-around Skirt or Culottes</td>
<td>Royal blue – in addition, children may wear royal blue bike pants or royal blue sports briefs (runners) under the sports skirt or culottes. (Other colours are not considered appropriate.)</td>
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<td>Shoes</td>
<td>Fully enclosed shoes or joggers with predominantly white socks. Thongs and sandals are not suitable.</td>
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<td>Hat</td>
<td>Royal Blue broad-brimmed hat or legionnaires cap. N.B. baseball caps are not considered appropriate as they do not offer effective protection to the sides of the face, ears or back of neck.</td>
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<td>Tracksuit or Jumper</td>
<td>Royal blue – no patterns or prints.</td>
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<td>Dress</td>
<td>Royal blue checked dress available from the school.</td>
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<td>Sun Smart Swimming Shirt</td>
<td>Any colour must have sleeves short or long for sun protection. Children must wear during swimming lessons or water based activities.</td>
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**Inappropriate Dress**
Inappropriate Dress is not permitted at the school. Inappropriate dress refers to clothing or apparel the student wears that is, or could be deemed to be:
- offensive; e.g. displaying offensive language, signs, images or symbols, etc.
- likely to disrupt, or negatively influence, the normal operation of the school;
- unsafe for the student or others; e.g. large earrings, necklaces, etc.
- likely to result in a risk to the health of the student or others e.g. lack of a hat, shoes, dirty clothing etc.

**Jewellery**
- Any items of jewellery must be kept to a minimum and must not detract from the overall neat presentation of students, otherwise the student will be asked to remove the jewellery.
- Students may be required to remove jewellery in any classes where injury may be a concern e.g. for sport, all jewellery may have to be removed.
- Teachers may also direct students to remove jewellery where it is felt the wearing of jewellery may hinder educational activities.
- Some examples of approved jewellery include:-
  - Watch
  - Signet ring
  - A maximum of two studs or sleepers in each ear lobe
- Some examples of jewellery which should not be worn include:-
  - Chains
  - Necklaces
  - Anklets
  - Bangles

**Body Piercing**
Due to workplace health and safety concerns, body piercing is not permitted other than as mentioned above – a maximum of two studs or sleepers in each ear.

**Hair**
Hair style and colour are an integral part of the neat presentation of a student. As such, hair styles and colouring should be appropriate for school in that they do not distract from the core functions of teaching and learning.

**Make-Up**
The wearing of make-up is not encouraged. Natural or skin coloured make-up is permissible.
- Some examples of make-up which should not be worn include:- coloured nail polish, coloured face make-up, coloured lipstick, coloured sunscreen cream, glitter, mascara, tattoos, etc.

**Exemptions from the Dress Code**
- The objective is to have all students uphold the dress code however the school is aware of circumstances where temporary exemptions may be required e.g.
  - For new students to the school
  - While students await the purchase of a replacement lost or stolen item e.g. a hat
  - Where inclement weather makes uniforms unavailable
- Permanent exemptions may be granted in exceptional circumstances. For example, certain items may be exempt for students:-
  - with a physical impairment
  - due to religious beliefs or cultural grounds

**Consequences for Non-compliance**
For cases of non-compliance with the Dress Code, a variety of steps may be taken such as:-
- Advising the student s/he is not following the dress code and seeking their support
- Advising the parents and seeking their support
- For families who suffer economic hardship, the school, at its discretion, may offer assistance to assist students to comply with the dress code.
- The school may choose to impose sanctions for non-compliance. These consequences would occur on a once only basis per episode of non-compliance. Consequences are reflective of the severity and recentness of the non-compliance and are limited to one of the following:
  - Imposing a detention for a student during lunch
  - Preventing student from attending, or participating in, any activity for which student is representing school; or
  - Preventing student from attending or participating in any school activity that is not an essential school educational program.