School Uniform

Most uniform items are available at the school through the Uniform Convenor. A small quantity of low-priced, second-hand clothing is also available for purchase.

| SHIRT | Red polo with Biddeston State School logo on the front. Sport houses shirts (Fridays) – Green for Leslie and Blue for Campbell |
| SHORTS, SKORTS OR WRAP-AROUND SKIRT | All in black |
| FOOTWEAR | Fully enclosed shoes or joggers, predominantly black. Black socks. Thongs and sandals are not suitable. |
| HAT | Black hat with the Biddeston State School logo. NB baseball caps are not considered appropriate as they do not offer effective protection to the sides of the face, ears or back of neck. |
| WINTER UNIFORM | Red fleecy jumper and plain black tracksuit pants. |
| SUN SMART SWIMMING SHIRT | Any colour, must have sleeves short or long for sun protection. Children must wear during swimming lessons or water-based activities. |

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 disrupt, or negatively influence, the normal operation of the school.

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 sunburn 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.