



TE AWAMUTU PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY

Rationale

Uniforms, correctly worn, contribute to the tone and atmosphere of the school. They encourage a sense of belonging and confidence in children, and enable parents to ensure equity in dress.

Purpose

- To ensure the uniform is worn as per the Uniform Schedule.
- To give children a sense of identity and pride as belonging to Te Awamutu Primary.
- To ensure that a standard is maintained.
- To place all children on an equal footing.

Guidelines

1. Wearing the school uniform is a condition of attendance at Te Awamutu Primary.
2. The uniform will be made up of approved items as per the Uniform Schedule.
3. In circumstances of extreme financial hardship, the Principal will endeavour to work with the concerned party to reach a mutually satisfactory outcome.
4. The uniform is to be worn at all times when involved in any school activities.
5. The uniform should be in good repair and a clean and tidy condition.
6. Any non-uniform items should be removed and placed in school bag, unless an explanatory note is received from parents.
7. New parents will be given a copy of the Uniform Policy when enrolling their child.
8. On enrolment, parents will be made aware of the requirement for their child to wear the school uniform.
9. For children transferring from another school, Parents must submit a uniform order when enrolling.
10. New Entrants are expected to wear the uniform from day one.
11. Parents are requested to name all clothing items.
12. School uniform hats must be worn from Labour Weekend, Term four until the end of Term one.
13. Uniforms will be available from the school, including a selection of second-hand items when they become available.
14. Footwear must be sensible. High heel shoes and some types of jandals are unsuitable for school wear.
15. Hair ties, if worn, are to be brown, black, white or navy blue.
16. Scarves, if worn, must be navy blue.
17. No jewellery is permitted at school except for watches and studs for pierced ears. Any other form of piercing is strictly prohibited.
18. We strongly discourage children from having their hair streaked or coloured.
19. The Board of Trustees will approve the colour and pattern of the uniform.
20. The Principal may, for reasons approved by the Board of Trustees, exempt a pupil from wearing the uniform.
21. Teachers will be supported by the Board in enforcing the wearing of uniforms.
22. The Board of Trustees, in consultation with the community, will review the uniform and implementation procedures annually.

UNIFORM SCHEDULE

- Blue/white short sleeve polo shirt with monogram
- Blue/white long sleeve polo shirt with monogram
- Navy polar vest with monogram
- Navy polar sweat with monogram
- Navy track pants
- Navy Skort
- Navy Shorts
- Navy $\frac{3}{4}$ Pants
- Navy Trousers
- Navy bucket hat
- Navy knee high or ankle socks
- Black or blue shoes or sandals

Implementation of this uniform policy

1. Implementation of the uniform policy is always subject to uniform availability.
2. We realise that occasional one-off situations will occur when a child cannot wear the uniform. Parents are requested to provide the classroom teacher with a note in these instances.
3. A child who is not wearing the approved uniform will not be permitted to participate in activities offered outside of the curriculum such as trips and some sporting activities.
4. If a child is not wearing the approved uniform on two consecutive days a note will be sent home. The same will occur if the uniform is not in good repair or clean and tidy condition. If the situation is not remedied then steps 5 and 6 will be implemented
5. If the response remains negative after a further five school days then this will be followed by a formal letter outlining the consequences and signed by the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees.
6. If the pupil is not wearing the approved school uniform five school days after the letter has been sent this will be followed up by a meeting with the Board of Trustees. The Principal has the right under the Education Act 1989 Section 14(1) (a) (continual disobedience) to stand-down or suspend the pupil.

Signed.....

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