

TURRAMURRA HIGH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY, STANDARDS AND CONDUCT POLICIES

## **Casual Clothing Dress Code – Unity Days**

Turramurra High School supports student leadership and initiatives by holding "Unity Days" throughout the year. These days generally promote the consideration of important social messages (e.g. Harmony Day, awareness of inclusion and mental health) and also raise funds to support our chosen charities. Wearing casual clothing, in line with the theme for the day, help make these initiatives visible to the school community, making them stand out and hopefully provoking thought and the engagement of all students.

Wearing casual clothing to school, however, is a privilege for students and they have a responsibility to be mindful about what is worn. The dress code aims to ensure that students come to school in tidy, casual clothing, suitable for a learning and work environment, and ready to participate in their lessons.

The following applies to wearing casual clothing:

- **Tops:** Students must either wear a short or long-sleeved blouse/T-shirt/polo or jumper. Shirts must be buttoned. Shoulders must be covered and exposed mid-sections are not allowed. Printed T-shirts must not display any inappropriate material. Sweaters and jackets of an appropriate size and length may be worn over, but not in place of, an appropriate top.
- **Pants/Skirts/Shorts:** Appropriate school attire includes long pants, shorts or skirts worn with the waistband at the waist. Jeans in good repair are acceptable. Skirts and shorts must be of acceptable length (sitting no more than 5 cm above the knee).
- Shoes: Sandals must have a back strap. In order to comply with WHS regulations and to engage for practical lessons, students need to wear enclosed leather shoes.
- **Headwear:** Head coverings worn for religious reasons are allowed. Hats and hoods are not to be worn inside the classroom. Masks that cover the face are not allowed except for medical masks. Appropriate earrings should be studs or sleepers; for safety reasons, no long/dangling earrings should be worn.
- Examples of inappropriate clothing:
  - Leggings, athletic wear, very short skirts or shorts
  - Thongs, slippers and ugg boots.
  - Tops with plunging necklines, singlet/muscle/tank tops, midriff tops, see-through clothing or visible underwear.
  - Image or text on any item of clothing that promotes inappropriate content (e.g. sex, violence, alcohol, tobacco or drugs)

Following the casual clothing dress code, is one way that students can demonstrate our core values by showing respect and taking responsibility for their appearance, indicating they wish to be a part of the Turramurra High School community. Consequences for refusing to follow the dress code may result in students being asked to come to school wearing school uniform on future casual clothing days. Any student has the option to wear their normal full school uniform on a Unity Day.

The casual clothing dress code is in effect from the time students arrive at school until they leave. If students are attending excursions or any other school-related activities that requires school uniform, then that is to be worn unless the supervising teacher informs the students otherwise. Please bring full sport uniform for PDHPE classes if timetabled.