

Dress Code Policy

DRESS CODE:

- Our school's Governing Council has determined that the wearing of clothing described in the following school policy is a requirement for all students
- It is expected that all children will wear the school colours of navy and sky blue tops and navy blue pants or skirts
- Our school's dress code aims to give students a sense of pride in their school. The wearing of the school colours is also a safety issue as it is easy to recognise students in the yard, on excursions or when representing the school. It also allows for suitable clothing for everyday wear.

Listed below are some suggestions in accordance with our school dress code:

| Trousers/shorts | Navy blue (no slogans) |
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| Tracksuits | Navy blue (no slogans) |
| Fleece Jacket | Navy blue (no slogans) |
| Polo Shirts | Navy or sky blue (no slogans) |
| Jumpers/Windcheaters | Navy blue (no slogans) |
| Skirt/Pinafore | Navy blue |
| Dresses | MVPS school dress available from the Uniform shop |
| Hat | Broad-brimmed, bucket or legionnaire style – navy blue (no slogans) -to be worn |
| | outside only |
| Spray Jacket | Navy Blue (no slogans) |
| Tights | Blue |
| Shoes, sandals or sneakers | |

Students with long hair are to wear it tied back each day for health and safety reasons. Children are to wear accessories that comply with school colours e.g. hair ties, head bands etc.

Unacceptable clothing/accessories include:

- Midriff tops and tank tops
- Ripped clothing (patches acceptable)
- Mini-skirts and brief shorts
- Thongs, Crocs, slippers and party shoes
- Acrylic and SNS nails
- Makeup and nail polish is discouraged
- Necklaces, dangling earrings and chokers (for safety reasons)
- Caps
- Beanies are only acceptable if they are: solid navy in colour (**no slogans**); only for outside use; and are not to be worn in place of a sun safe hat
- Jeans.

On those occasions when it is not possible for a student to comply with the uniform requirements, a written note must be provided (diary or email) and shown to the student's class teacher. *This is a valid exemption <u>on the day</u> it is received by the class teacher.*

<u>Swap a Top</u> – the school keeps a small supply of shirts and jumpers in Student Services that students are able to access should they wear a non-uniform school top. At times when no parental note is present, teachers will access this supply.

Non-compliance with the school's dress code will result in the following action:

- A warning will be passed on to the student by the teacher and/or leadership with an expectation that they be appropriately dressed the following day
- Non-compliance the following day will be followed up with a note home and/or telephone conversation with parent by a teacher or leadership.

Parents in financial hardship will need to meet with a leadership member if they are unable to support the Dress Code Policy.

PURCHASING UNIFORMS

- There is a display of school uniforms in Front Office
- Items can be purchased through the school's Uniform Shop (located in the Primary building)
- Some second hand uniform items are available in the Uniform Shop which is open on <u>Tuesday 8:30am</u> <u>9:15am and Wednesday 2.30-3.15pm</u>
- If you are unable to make these times, an order form is available from Student Services. Parents/caregivers will be contacted when ready for pick up.

Plain clothing can also be purchased through many local stores.

Please LABEL ALL ITEMS of clothing.

Lost Property Box (located in atrium in between the Library and Front Office) will be cleaned out at the end of each term. Any named items will be returned to students via their classroom teacher, and any remaining unnamed items will be donated to charity or used in the School uniform shop on the second hand items clothing rack.

The School's Dress Code has been ratified by the McLaren Vale Primary School Governing Council.

Reviewed and verified by Governing Council September 2020.