



POORAKA PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Dress Code (Uniform) Policy

Outcome

All students are expected to wear the school uniform. This decision is affirmed by the school Governing Council, Principal and staff. We seek parent support to ensure the uniform policy is followed.

Wearing the Dress Code supports students to develop pride in being a student at Pooraka Primary School and promotes a sense of school belonging and identity. It also supports students to be safe when they are easy to identify as being a member of Pooraka Primary School.



Guidelines

The Dress Code is as follows:

- The school colour is navy - all clothing including scarves and any other visible clothing must be navy in colour.
- T-shirts must be school uniform polo tops: Navy blue with red stripe and logo.
- Jumpers or Jackets must be navy blue - no brand name or logos
- Bottoms: plain navy long pants; Navy shorts, skirts or skorts (appropriate length). Plain navy bike shorts are permitted if worn under dresses.
- Dresses: navy and white check.
- Shoes: sports shoes, flat soled, closed toe sandals and flat soled lace up school shoes are appropriate footwear.
- Hats: all students are required to wear navy hats, either wide brim, bucket or legionnaire style, as these offer the best protection against damage from UV rays.
- Jewellery : Only discreet jewellery is acceptable (for example; sleeper or stud earrings only, one discreet neck chain to be worn inside of top, watch, one ring).

*Note : modification to the uniform for students with a disability or medical condition is by individual negotiation with the Principal and family.

Department for Education OHSW guidelines

All Department for Education schools are required to adhere to OHSW guidelines. For reasons of safety and in keeping with the school dress code, the following items are NOT acceptable:

- Denim pants or shorts, high cut shorts or skirts
- Thongs, clogs, platform shoes, open toe sandals.
- Basketball caps or hats with cords
- Tops with shoe string straps, midriff tops
- Clothing with large, violent or unsuitable motifs, brand names or logos
- Excessive jewellery, dangling earrings, piercings (single hole in the ear lobe acceptable)
- Make-up.

Hat Policy

Pooraka School adheres to the Cancer Council and Department for education Sun Smart Policy. Therefore, students must wear hats when outside, (no hat, no play) including on excursions and special occasions, traffic duty and outdoor PE lessons.

Roles & Responsibilities

- Ordering and prices are overseen by Uniform Committee in consultation with the Governing Council.
- Staff will monitor students wearing school colours.
- Students who arrive out of school uniform will be required to change into a spare uniform if available.
- Class teachers and leaders will contact families when students are not following the dress code policy.
- Families share in the responsibility of ensuring that their children wear the school dress code at all times, including excursions and special occasions.
- Dress code brochure is included in welcome pack and available on request.
- Dress code items are available for sale from the front office from 8.30 am each day during school term.

Lost Property

Lost property is kept by the stairs, in the main building entrance, for students and parents to claim lost clothing. Items without names will be donated each term.

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