

DORSET PRIMARY SCHOOL No: 5132 STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

PHILOSOPHICAL BASIS:

Rationale

- To develop a sense of pride and identification with Dorset Primary School.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.
- To eliminate social and economic pressure to wear less appropriate clothing.

Policy Statement

The wearing of school uniform instils recognition of belonging to the school community.

GUIDELINES:

1. Children are expected to wear school uniform. School uniforms are available at the Uniform Shop.
2. Description:
Dorset Primary School's uniform is versatile and economical.
School colours are jade and navy blue with the school logo.
3. School hats are to be worn as specified in the Sunsmart Policy.
4. Parents wanting an exemption for their children from wearing school uniform must forward a written request to the Principal/DEECD.
5. To dress appropriately for school activities and weather conditions.

Implementation

1. The uniform comprises of a range of options as determined by School Council and in close consultation with the school community.
2. The only headwear acceptable is the Sunsmart Hats which have been deemed compliant with the school's Sunsmart Policy. To wear hats from September to April and when the UV is above 3.
3. The only acceptable jewellery is stud earrings (subdued colours) and small sleepers in the ears and watches. SOS items can also be worn.
4. Hair ties, ribbons, clips, and headbands must be navy, white, jade or black. To keep hair tidy and if long, tied back in a school uniform colour hair tie, scrunchie or headband.
5. Cosmetics/Nail Polish are not to be worn to school.
6. Students are permitted to wear a plain navy scarf or gloves as part of the winter uniform.

7. The wearing of school uniform is optional on designated free dress days. Clothes worn on these days must be in line with our Sunsmart Policy. Covered footwear must also be worn and clothes with inappropriate slogans or images are not permissible. To not wear singlet tops and sun-dresses. To wear practical footwear with low heels – no thongs, sandals or open toes shoes.
8. Special Year 6 uniform items as defined by the school are available to Year 6 students only to be worn during their year 6 time at school.
9. Parents must notify the school in writing if their child is not able to wear school uniform on a particular day.
10. School uniform is to be worn on all school excursions.
11. To wear a one piece swimsuit during the swimming program and any other swimming event such as Big Day Out or 'All Stars' activities.
12. Sport runners to be worn only during organised sporting activities eg PE, Interschool Sports, Cross Country etc.
13. Hoodies are not to be worn. Fully navy beanies may be worn, without a logo.
14. Shoulder length hair or longer is to be tied back at all times. Coloured hair is to be natural colours only. Extreme hairstyles or offensive shaved hair patterns are not part of the school uniform.



GROUNDS FOR EXEMPTION:

Exemptions allow school councils to impose uniform standards on all students but still recognise cases in which the application of those standards affects some students unequally.

Legal grounds for exemption exist when:

- an aspect of the code:
 - prevents students from being able to attend school or participate in school activities on the same terms as other students because of the personal characteristics referred to in Human Rights and Anti-discrimination Requirements.
 - Offends a religious belief held by the students, parents or carers.
 - Prevents students from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural background.
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code.
- the student or the parents or carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

DRESS CODE

GIRLS	BOYS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Summer Dress – blue/white and jade check. • Shorts – plain navy – not basketball shorts. • Culottes – plain navy. • Jade Polo – short or long sleeve (preferred with school logo) • Winter school navy skirt or pinafore Worn with school polo • Navy Windcheater, Navy & Jade Bomber Jacket, Navy Vest. (No Hoodies) • Trackpants (fleecy) or straight leg/ Boot leg pants – all navy • Navy tights with winter or summer uniform. No leggings or tracksuit pants to be worn under summer dress or winter tunic. • Socks – plain white, navy or black socks (to be fully introduced in 2017). • Shoes – black school shoes or black runners. • Hat (Sun Smart) – plain navy wide brimmed with school logo. • Beanie – Fully navy only. • Art Smock • Rain Jacket (optional) • Scarves or gloves (optional) – navy only. • Hair Ties, Ribbons, Clips and Head Bands – Navy, white, jade, brown or black only. • Hair – Shoulder length hair or longer is to be tied back at all times. Coloured hair is to be natural colours only. Extreme hairstyles or offensive shaved hair patterns are not part of the school uniform. • Earrings – plain studs or small sleepers in ears Only. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin: 10px 0;">   </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming – One piece swimsuit of your choice. <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">PLEASE NAME ALL SCHOOL UNIFORM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorts – plain navy. No basketball shorts. • Jade Polo – short or long sleeve (preferred with school logo) • Navy Windcheater, Navy & Jade Bomber Jacket or Navy Vest. (No hoodies) • Trackpants (fleecy) cuffed or straight leg – plain or reinforced knee - all navy. • Socks – plain white, navy or black socks (to be fully Introduced in 2017). • Shoes – black school shoes or black runners. • Hat (Sun Smart) – plain navy wide brimmed with school logo. • Beanie – Fully navy only. • Hair – Shoulder length hair or longer is to be tied back at all times. Coloured hair is to be natural colours only. Extreme hairstyles or offensive shaved hair patterns are not part of the school uniform. • Art Smock • Rain Jacket (optional) • Scarves (optional) – navy only. • Earrings – Plain studs in ears only or small sleepers. Refer to photo opposite. • Swimming – Speedos or shorts. <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">PLEASE NAME ALL SCHOOL UNIFORM</p>

Other Items available from the Uniform Shop
 School Bag
 Art Smocks

CONSEQUENCES OF BEING OUT OF UNIFORM

1. Note sent to parents to inform them that their child is out of uniform.
2. Parents contacted if child is out of uniform consistently.