



STUDENT DRESS CODE

PURPOSE

Murrumbeena Primary School recognises the importance of a school dress code in instilling a sense of pride, belonging, camaraderie and contributing to a safe and welcoming environment.

AIMS

- To promote equality amongst students.
- To maintain a form of student safety, comfort and group security with a locally recognisable uniform.
- To reduce peer pressure on students to wear expensive, impractical, fashion clothing to school.
- To provide a range of options that allow for individual expression complying with the Human Rights and Anti-Discrimination Laws.

GUIDELINES

- All students and parents/guardians are informed about the student dress code on enrolment.
- All students are expected to wear the approved school uniform. A range of options is available for summer and winter.
- The official school colours are gold and maroon.
- The gold t-shirt with the school logo is the official school uniform and must be worn on excursions, for official school photos and when representing the school on special occasions. The maroon t-shirt is an option for non-official activities.
- An approved school sunhat must be worn outdoors in line with the school's Sunsmart policy. To assist with the implementation of this policy, staff and students are encouraged to access the daily local sun protection times via the [SunSmart widget](#) on the school's website, the free [SunSmart app](#), or at sunsmart.com.au or myuv.com.au.

**The sun protection times from the Bureau of Meteorology tell you the time of day UV levels are forecast to reach 3 or higher. At these levels, sun protection is recommended for all skin types. In Victoria, UV levels regularly reach 3 or higher from mid-August to the end of April.*

- When participating in inter-school sports activities, students will wear the approved sports uniform (the school will supply some sports uniforms when appropriate).
- All students must wear well-fitted shoes, boots or runners that they can put on and take off by themselves.
- In summer, a closed toe sandal is acceptable. Thongs and other open-backed footwear are not permitted.
- Parents are encouraged to purchase the school bag as it is designed to fit all the student's necessary school and personal belongings.

- For the safety of students, only stud earrings and sleepers are to be worn in the ears.
- No visible costume jewellery or makeup should be worn.
- Hair grooming should be neat and tidy. Long hair should be tied back.
- On designated casual dress days students must wear appropriate, safe clothing (e.g. Sunsmart clothing and footwear).

Note:

- The role of the School Council Uniform Sub-committee is to ensure design, options and cost are in-line with the community expectations.
- There are ways parents can get help with the cost of school uniforms (see <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/going-to-school/Pages/uniforms.aspx>)
- The school provides opportunities for families to purchase second uniforms through regularly second hand stalls (keep this points)
- Parents seeking exemptions to the dress code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health conditions or economic hardship must discuss with the Principal.
- Students who are not wearing the full school uniform may be contacted by a staff member to identify the reason, unless a letter has already been sent.
- On the occasion that a student's dress is not conforming to the code, the school reserves the right to contact the parents and/ or will provide a second hand uniform item as an interim arrangement until the appropriate school uniform is able to be obtained.

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle.

UNIFORM OPTIONS - EXAMPLES

Summer dress - school material

School									tunic
Maroon									shorts
Maroon									skort
Gold	monogrammed	short/long	sleeved	polo	shirt				(official)
Gold	or maroon	skivvy	or short/gold	long	sleeved	polo	shirt		
Maroon			track						pants

Maroon leggings/maroon bike shorts (under dresses/tunics)

Maroon monogrammed windcheater

Maroon monogrammed hoodie

Maroon monogrammed zip fleecy windcheater

Maroon monogrammed zip fleecy vest

Grade 6 windcheater (only to be worn by grade 6 students)

School sunsmart hat

Black school shoes or runners

White or maroon socks

Maroon tights

Accessories e.g. beanies, scarves, gloves, headbands, clips must be in school colours

Other pieces of uniform as approved by School Council.