

# **Barwon Heads Primary School**

## **School Uniform Policy/ Dress Code**

School council has endorsed a uniform/ dress code policy for students of the Barwon Heads Primary School.

### **Rationale:**

A uniform dress code encourages and reinforces a student's pride in their own appearance, a sense of belonging to the school community and the development of an ongoing connectedness to the school culture. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also addressed in the establishment of a dress code.

### **Aims:**

To promote a sense of pride and identification with our school  
To maintain and enhance a positive image of the school within the wider community  
To maintain a connectedness with the school for the students  
To promote equality amongst all students  
To provide a uniform that is practical and cost effective for school families

### **Broad Guidelines:**

There is an expectation that all children will wear school uniform and that the wearing of the uniform will be strongly encouraged by the families of the school.

The school uniform is a Dress Code consisting of Navy Blue and Sky Blue. . The uniform consists of a combination of items from the Student Dress Code. (See attached)  
School Uniform applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when students are on school excursions. There will be a gradual phasing out royal blue gingham to Nay blue over the next 3 years

Make up and nail polish may not be worn at school. Jewellery should be stud earrings and/ or watches only. Students will be discouraged from wearing sleeper earrings as these are considered unsafe on play equipment and during sporting activities. All students with shoulder length hair should tie this back.

Inappropriate clothing such as denim, branded clothing, singlet tops and short shorts are not acceptable items of school clothing.  
Logos other than the school logo are not accepted.

Shoes should be firm fitting and must cover the foot. No thongs, open toed sandals or high heels are allowed

The only headwear that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart policy. Broad Brim Hats must be worn in Terms 1 & 4 and are optional in Terms 2 & 3. Hats must be Have at least a 6cm brim for coverage. Baseball & legionnaire caps and hats with a limited brim are not acceptable headwear. In winter plain navy blue beanies with no logos, emblems or printing are able to be worn.

The school will operate a second hand uniform store for parents throughout the year.

Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.

The Principal is responsible for the implementation of the Dress code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct. Classroom teachers also monitor the uniform and encourage compliance with the policy. Parents should provide a brief note to the classroom teacher explaining any uniform non compliance.

Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the School Council / Principal.

**Evaluation:**

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

The Student Dress Code will be revised each year and will be sent home with children in Term 4. It will be displayed in the Newsletter Term 1 & Term 3 each year. The uniform policy will also be utilised in the Starting Right Program with a focus on reinforcing positive wearing of the uniform.

## **STUDENT DRESS CODE**

Our school has a compulsory Dress Code for all students at our school. In most instances the uniform items are unisex; however some items are applicable to a particular group of students. It is a colour code of Navy Blue and Sky Blue.

The following is a list of school uniform items available for parents to select for their children.

### **Summer Uniform**

Sky blue or Navy Blue T shirt or polo shirt  
Navy blue shorts, navy cargo pants  
Navy blue pants – can be either 3/4 or full pants  
Navy or gingham skorts  
Gingham Dress

Navy Cardigans or navy blue/ sky blue windcheaters can be worn.

### **Winter Uniform**

Sky blue or navy blue long sleeved T shirts, skivvies  
Navy blue pants, trousers, track pants  
Navy blue tunic, skirt  
Navy blue windcheater or polar fleece windcheater, vest, cardigan.

Grade 6 children have an opportunity to purchase a commemorative windcheater for their final year.

### **Footwear**

School shoes and runners may be worn. Socks should be in plain complimentary colours. Shoes should be firm fitting and must cover the foot. No thongs, open toed sandals or high heels are allowed

### **Sports Days**

Runners are encouraged for safety.

House T-Shirts i.e. Yellow for Neptune, Red for Mercury, Light Blue for Saturn, and Green for Jupiter are required for House School Sports.

Rain Jackets and coats are to be navy blue where possible.

The only logo able to be worn is the BHPS Logo. No branded clothing or denim is accepted. Inappropriate clothing such as singlet tops and short shorts are also not acceptable items of school clothing. Make up and nail polish may not be worn at school. Jewellery should be stud earrings and/ or watches only. Students will be discouraged from wearing sleeper earrings as these are considered unsafe on play equipment and during sporting activities. Hair should be kept neat and tidy. All students with shoulder length hair will be encouraged to tie this back. Hair accessories should be navy or blue in colour.

Logos other than the school logo are not accepted.

The only headwear that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart policy. Broad Brim Hats must be worn in Terms 1 & 4 and are optional in Terms 2 & 3. Hats must be broad brimmed with a brim at least 6 cm for coverage. Baseball and legionnaire caps and hats will a limited brim are not acceptable headwear. In winter plain navy blue beanies with no logos, emblems or printing are able to be worn. Gloves can be worn to and from school but are discouraged at school for safety on play equipment.

This Student dress code is a supplement of the School Uniform Policy.

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