

Student Dress Code Policy

Date approved by School Council	<i>21st August, 2013</i>
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Rationale

The wearing of school uniform at Seaford Park Primary School as approved by School Council is compulsory and provides the opportunity for all families to be seen to be equal in social and economic circumstances. It reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing the school.

Aims

- Develop a sense of individual and collective pride in students
- Enhance the individual student's and group security
- Provide the school with an avenue to develop a sense of identity, and enhance the image of the school within the community
- Provide a positive effect on tone and discipline
- Provide active and safe participation in school life

Anti – discrimination

- The Seaford Park Dress Code neither discriminates directly or indirectly against students on the basis of their sex, race, ethnic group, nationality, religious beliefs, colour, disability or socio – economic circumstances.

Implementation

- The school uniform will feature the school's colours of aqua and navy blue
- The Student Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on excursions. Students may be requested to wear school uniform for school performances after school hours or for special events
- When enrolling children, parents will be informed of the Student Dress Code policy and expectations
- All items worn are to be in accordance with approved uniform shop styles. For example, regulation shorts, dresses, hats, and beanies. T-shirts are permitted to be worn underneath shirts / dresses on cold days providing they are in the school colour of navy. Leggings, tights and bike shorts must also conform with this colour. Other items such as caps and hoodies are not permitted
- The School Uniform can be purchased from the PSW store at 21 Playne Street, Frankston or online at www.psw.com.au and (until November 2013) at Knowledge Time, 4/16 Titan Avenue, Carrum Downs
- Approved school hats are compulsory for at least Terms 1 and 4 including casual dress days. Wide brimmed / slouch hats must have the cords removed. Beanies in the school colour of navy blue can be worn outside during the colder months. Scarves in navy blue are only permitted to be worn to and from school

- All articles of clothing, must be labelled with the student's name
- Year 6 students will have the option of wearing a special Year 6 windcheater / rugby top / polo shirt with the school insignia
- Prep students will have the option of wearing a special polo shirt titled Very Important Prep (VIP)
- When participating in Inter-School Sports activities, all students must wear provided sports uniforms where applicable
- Students must wear appropriate footwear at all times. The shoes must be black or white in colour (fluorescent or extreme colours are not acceptable). Heels should be flat. Open toed shoes or thongs are not permitted. Fashion shoes such as high tops are not permitted, shoe laces must not be multi coloured. Socks should be in colours of white or navy blue
- Appropriate footwear must be worn for physical education and sports. Soft/flexible soled sneakers/runners are compulsory for safety and foot development
- Students transferring from another school, after discussions with the Principal may continue to wear the uniform of that school for a negotiated period of time
- Students who do not wear school uniform must provide a written letter from home providing reasons why the child is out of uniform
- A record will be kept of students out of uniform. On the first occasion a warning will be given, a second time the students will have his or her name placed in an official out of uniform record book, on the third occasion parents will be notified of the infringement by letter and asked to sign an acknowledgment slip and return it to school. Repeated breaches may require a personal interview with the school Principal and further action discussed
- Extreme hair colours (e.g. green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (e.g. spikes or Mohawks) are not permitted
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery. Necklaces, bracelets, wristbands are not permitted
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school. Temporary tattoos are not permitted
- Shoulder length or longer hair must be tied back in an appropriate manner. Head scarves if worn must be of the school colour of navy blue. Hair adornments should be minimal, and in school colours
- Lost property will be stored in a nominated location. Un-named clothing will be placed on the second hand uniform rack
- On nominated free dress days students must follow the Sunsmart Policy and wear appropriate clothing and footwear. For example, shoulders covered, midriff not bared, no ripped or torn clothes, no open toed shoes, etc
- 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 Principal.

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's review cycle or earlier if circumstances deem it necessary.



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Out of School Uniform Notification

Date.....

Dear Parent

Today your son/daughter is out of school uniform.

It is very important for the tone and discipline of the school that all children adhere to the School Council's accepted uniform policy. A copy is enclosed for your information.

The uniform should be in good condition as we like all children to take pride in the wearing of their uniform.

We realise there are times when circumstances prevent your child wearing school uniform but we would expect that this would only be temporary. If you have any difficulty in providing the accepted uniform we will endeavour to assist you.

We would appreciate a note to explain why your child was out of uniform today as we do not wish to embarrass them unduly.

The School Uniform can be purchased from the PSW store at 21 Playne Street, Frankston or online at www.psw.com.au and (until November 2013) Knowledge Time, 4/16 Titan Avenue, Carrum Downs.

Julie Braakhuis

Class Teacher

Principal

I have received the out of uniform notice.

I need to discuss / not discuss this matter with you.

Student's Name _____ Grade _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____