

Yarra Junction Primary School

School Number: 3216



DRESS CODE – STUDENT - POLICY

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UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE POLICY

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Yarra Junction Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed in consultation with Yarra Junction Primary School Council in to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Yarra Junction Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- reduce student competition based on clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

SCOPE

- Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

UNIFORM

The Yarra Junction Primary School Dress Code: (List of School Council Approved School Uniform)

All students at Yarra Junction Primary can choose from the below uniform list

- Windcheater or Bomber Jacket
- (Logo/ Grade 6 image)
- Short Sleeve Polo Shirt (Logo)
- Long Sleeve Polo Shirt (Logo)
- Green and Gold Waterproof Jacket (Logo)

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- Green Soft-Shell Jacket (Logo)
- Black Pants/ leggings (no visible logos/colours)
- Black Shorts (no visible logos/colours)
- Black Skirt
- Black Skort
- Green and White Checkered dress
- Green checkered pinafore
- Plain White / Black socks (preferred)
- Safe and appropriate footwear (closed toe)
- Green vest (Logo)
- Green wide brimmed hat (Logo)

UNIFORM – GENERAL APPEARANCE

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms should be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden or are solid black, white or bottle green in colour. Additional layers such as a coat may be worn to and from school over the uniform.
- Studs, sleepers and watches are the only acceptable jewellery
- Students are not to wear any make up

DRESS CODE APPLIES:

The Yarra Junction Primary School Dress Code applies:

- during school hours
- while travelling to and from school
- when students are engaged in school activities out of school hours

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HEALTH AND SAFETY

1. Yarra Junction Primary School Sun hats must be worn accordance with Sunsmart Policy guidelines and optional school beanie in winter. Students must wear the school hat in the grounds, but hats are not to be worn inside the school buildings.

4. It is recommended that long hair is to be tied up.

5. Closed toe shoes are to be worn. No slip on shoes can be worn outside.

7. Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from APLUS School wear <https://www.aplusschoolwear.com.au/>

Yarra Junction Primary School also operates a second-hand uniform store for parents. Items can be purchased from the office with a gold coin donation.

The School Council has considered affordability in the development of this dress code. However, if you are facing difficulty meeting uniform costs the [Help with school costs and fees](#) page provides advice on support offered by the Victorian Government. If your child is starting prep and is eligible to receive support via the [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund](#), you may be eligible to access the Affordable School Uniform (ASU) program.

Please contact Kate Cairns, Catherine Aulich or Lisa Rankin to discuss support that we may be able to provide.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Parents and Caregivers

- It is the responsibility of the parents/carers to ensure their child attends school in correct uniform and complies with the School's Dress Code.
- All Parents/Carers should ensure that they provide sufficient uniform items to allow for a change of clothing throughout the week, and to accommodate laundering.
- All Parents/Carers must ensure that uniform items are not torn, hems/sleeves are not frayed (unkempt) and that all hems are sewn appropriately.
- Parents/Carers should ensure all garments are clearly named and easily identified as their child's uniform.
- Parent/Carers are to provide a change of clothing for students who may have toileting accidents.

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Students

All students are responsible for always wearing correct uniform.

Staff

All staff are responsible for ensuring that all students are always in correct uniform.

Staff are to follow through with consequences of non-compliance.

Classroom teachers are to contact parents of students within their classes if students are out of school uniform, if non-compliance two days in a row.

EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENT DRESS CODE

We acknowledge that there might be instances where the enforcement of this dress code could impact students differently.

Students and their parents or carers may apply in writing to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular financial hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

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CONSEQUENCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE

Students out of uniform or with an unkempt uniform, who have the required items at school, will be instructed to change. Where possible, students out of uniform or with an unkempt uniform, who do not have the items at school, will be provided with clothing out of the second hand uniform shop to change in to.

Students who are not in full school uniform and do not have a permission note from parents will either spend a recess or lunch on the reflection bench or complete a give back task during a recess or lunch.

Parents will receive a reminder notice if their child is out of uniform for consecutive days.

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Dear _____

It is with understanding that at times it can be a challenge to ensure that students have all required uniform items available. However, as full uniform school that values equality amongst all students and a sense of pride in, and identification with our school, we would appreciate your support in ensuring your child attends school in full uniform.

Can you please ensure that _____ wears the correct school uniform in the future.

Item (s) out of uniform:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

If you require further clarification of uniform requirements, please visit the office for a copy of our uniform policy.

Thanks for your support and respect of our values.

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