

# Yarra Junction Primary School

School Number: 3216



## UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE POLICY

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## AIMS

To promote equality amongst all students which will further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school. This will lead to maintaining and enhancing the positive image of the school in the community.

## RATIONALE

A uniform dress code 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 their school. Issues of equality, health and safety and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code. The school aims to provide durable clothing that is practical for our school environment as well as promote the safety of our students. It also helps to prevent bullying and competition on the basis of clothing and prepares students for the expectations of workplaces.

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Yarra Junction Primary School is a full uniform school. It is an important security issue that all students are clearly identified by full school uniform. The School Council sets the uniform and the Principal and staff are required to enforce it. The school expects the co-operation of parents in maintaining a high standard of neatness and conformity with the students' uniform, as well as in general appearance.

After consultation with School Staff and School Council we have developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities and caters for the financial constraints of families.

The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when students are on school excursions or representing the School.

The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and place of purchase, is published on the school webpage. School Council requires the Principal to be responsible for the implementation of the Dress Code.

Arrangements can be made to subsidise uniforms via State Schools Relief or Principal's discretion for families experiencing economic hardship.

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

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

#### **Girls**

Windcheater or Bomber Jacket  
(Logo/ Grade 6 image)

Short Sleeve Polo Shirt (Logo)

Long Sleeve Polo Shirt (Logo)

Green and Gold Waterproof Jacket (Logo)

Green Soft Shell Jacket (Logo)

Black Pants/ leggings (no visible logos/colours)

Black Shorts (no visible logos/colours)

Black Skirt—black tights optional

Green and White Checkered dress

Green checkered pinafore

Plain White / Black socks (preferred)

Safe and appropriate footwear

Green vest (Logo)

Green wide brimmed hat (Logo)

#### **Boys**

Windcheater or Bomber Jacket  
(Logo/ Grade 6 image)

Short Sleeve Polo Shirt (Logo)

Long Sleeve Polo Shirt (Logo)

Green and Gold Waterproof Jacket (Logo)

Green Soft Shell Jacket (Logo)

Black Pants (no visible logos/colours)

Black Shorts (no visible logos/colours)

Plain White / Black socks (preferred)

Safe and appropriate footwear

Green wide brimmed hat

Green vest (Logo)

Green wide brimmed hat (Logo)

Students in Grade 6 who have been awarded a leadership role will be provided with a leadership badge to wear on their school uniform.

Students elected as school captain will be given a white and green polo shirt with the school logo. Students in these roles are able to wear these polo shirts as an alternative to the regular YJPS school uniform. These polo shirts may be requested not to be worn at public and interschool events.

**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

**SCHOOL PROCEDURES – Dress Code**

1. The uniform is to be in good condition and worn with pride.
2. Students will wear the correct School uniform as per this policy. A note from a parent is required if a student is not able to wear complete uniform for a brief period.
3. 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. No visible garments are to be worn under the uniform. E.g: long sleeve tops under short sleeve shirts
6. No slip on shoes can be worn.
7. No makeup of any kind to be worn.

**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.

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

## **Students**

All students are responsible for wearing correct uniform at all times.

## **Staff**

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

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.

## **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.

## **Makeup**

If students wear makeup to school, they will be given a warning as a reminder of the dress code. If makeup is worn after this initial warning the classroom teacher or Assistant Principal/Principal will contact parents.

## **REVIEW CYCLE:**

This policy was reviewed on 18/07/2019 and is scheduled for review in July 2022.

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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.