



UNIFORM and DRESS CODE POLICY

PURPOSE

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a sense of pride in their own appearance, recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school.

School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides a choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities and caters for the financial constraints on families.

SCOPE

This policy addresses how Mickleham Primary School aims to address what our school uniform includes, the requirements for wearing the uniform, exemptions that may be allowed and how the uniform will be enforced.

Mickleham Primary School recognises that students like some choice in what they wear and to provide for this we have include some options of choice for students.

This policy applies to all school activities, including excursions. The wearing of the school uniform at camp is not usually expected and individual information about dress requirements for camp will be provided with the camp clothing lists.

POLICY

The following outlines the expectations for the wearing of school uniform and a detailed description of the uniform of Mickleham Primary School. When determining the uniform the school council considered the rural environment of the school, activities that are undertaken during the day and the requirements of being a Sun Smart school.

Expectations

- All students are required to wear the full school uniform at all times
- The dress code applies to all students during the school day
- School hats are to be worn at any time the UV rating is above 3. It is expected that they will be require from September to April as a minimum
- During their grade 6 year, students may wear a specially designed year 6 windcheater as an alternative to the regular uniform
- Protective clothing for Art needs to be provided by the parents
- A sports T shirt is available for parents to purchase, although this is not compulsory
- Parents are responsible for ensuring their child/children are in full uniform every day
- Parents are responsible for sending a note to the classroom teacher every time their child is out of uniform
- Classroom teachers and Principal class are responsible for following up with students who are not in uniform
- The Uniform / Dress Code Policy including details of the uniform and where to purchase the uniform are available from the General Office and are also available on the school website

School Uniform

- Checked cotton dress – blue and white check
 - Long pants, tracksuit pants or leggings – navy blue only (no denim)
 - Shorts – navy blue (longer leg length for sun protection)
 - Skorts or Skirts – navy blue (no short sport skirts)
 - Polo shirts short sleeved – red or navy (at least one with a school logo)
 - Polo shirts long sleeved – red or navy
 - Skivvy – long sleeved – red or navy (optional)
 - Windcheater – red or navy **Compulsory logo**
 - Bomber Jacket **Compulsory logo** (optional)
 - School slouch or bucket hat (wide brimmed style) – navy **Compulsory**
 - Flat, closed in shoes (solid / durable) – no sandals – any colour
 - Tights (for under school dress) – navy
- No denim, product logo or patterns are permitted on shorts, pants, track suits, leggings or tights

Jewellery

For safety reasons the following are the only acceptable items of jewellery to be worn

- Earrings – sleeper or studs that do not hang down
- Watch
- Chain or Necklace – worn under the uniform
- Bracelets – close fitting
- Stick on or false nails

EXEMPTIONS

Some of the school year uniform may be exempt for individual children for the following reasons:

- Religious or cultural grounds
- Legal protective / privacy grounds
- Medical or health issues

Before a student can be exempt from wearing or altering the school uniform permission must be sought, in writing, from the Principal. The Principal may grant an exemption if the reason is deemed acceptable.

ENFORCEMENT

The uniform policy will be enforced in the following manner:

- Students out of uniform need to provide a written note from their parent or guardian
- If a student is out of uniform without a signed note a letter will be sent home to parents
- If a student is out of uniform on 5 days without a note, a meeting will be arranged with the parents to explain their reasons

EVALUATION

This policy is developed by the Mickleham Primary School Council and is evaluated on a 3 year cycle or when the need arises.

REVIEW CYCLE

This policy was last updated on July 2019 and is scheduled for review in July 2022