



## Uniform Policy

**This Policy has been ratified May 2016, updated May 2018**

The Footscray North Primary School Uniform Dress Code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instills recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing the school. Issues of equality, health and safety, costs of items, human rights and religious and cultural beliefs have all been considered when establishing our Uniform Dress Code.

### Aim:

The dress code purposes should be clearly identified. These include:

- promoting:
  - a sense of identity and pride
  - cohesion and good order in the school
- allowing all students to feel equal
- preventing bullying and competition on the basis of clothing
- ensuring students' appearance reflects the expectations of their school community
- enhancing the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community
- strengthening the spirit of community within the school
- enhancing individual student safety and group security
- ensuring all students are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- encouraging students to develop pride in their appearance
- preparing students for the expectations of workplaces

### Implementation:

- The student dress code, including details of uniform items and costs will be published in the newsletters and website at the start of the school year
- It is the responsibilities of parents and carers, to ensure students arrive to school in full school uniform.
- All staff members will be responsible for implementation and monitoring of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with Student Code of Conduct.
- The dress code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when students are on excursions
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*Alternatively, they can wear black runners throughout the whole day.*
- Watches, stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, are acceptable jewellery
- Students may be required to remove jewellery in the interest of safety during sports or other events.
- Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart Policy must be worn outside in Terms 1&4
- Only sanctioned school uniform items can be worn at school (see list below)
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethic or cultural background, student disability, health conditions or economic hardship must consult with the school principal.
- Parents will provide a note stating the reason for the child's inability to wear a uniform.

- The classroom teacher, principal or delegate will forward Out of Uniform Notification to Parents of students who are regularly out of uniform and have not provided a reason.
- Year Six students will have the opportunity to purchase a school sanctioned commemorative pieces of school uniform.

The following are school-sanctioned items of uniform

- Black Shoes
- White/Navy Socks
- Navy Tights/leggings
- Navy tracksuit pants
- Navy bootleg tracksuit pants
- Navy Cargo pants
- Navy shorts/cargo shorts – no shorter than mid thigh
- Navy skort
- Tunic
- White Skivvy
- Navy/White Polo (long or short sleeved)
- Rugby jumper
- Navy V neck Jumper (woollen or windcheater)
- Summer dress (navy/white)
- Navy blue/white headscarf
- Runners for sports day/PE sessions