

DRESS CODE POLICY

RATIONALE

Reynella Primary School seeks to improve the learning outcomes of students in an environment which is supportive, non discriminatory, equitable and safe. In support of this aim, the school has a Dress Code Policy with an expectation that all students will adhere to the Dress Code whilst at school.

As a school, we are aware of the following issues pertaining to this policy:

1. The wearing of uniform clothing is an important factor in ensuring student safety.
2. It is important that we recognise students associated with this school.
3. Students have the right to wear clothing which allows for freedom of movement and level of comfort.
4. Special consideration can be given to itinerant students.
5. The values of parents/caregivers of other cultural backgrounds and religious beliefs are acknowledged.
6. Awareness of and sensitivity to students in financially disadvantaged situations is acknowledged.

ACCEPTABLE DRESS

- Hats:** Maroon legionnaire or wide brimmed hat with school logo or navy bucket hat with school logo.
- Tops:** Reynella PS short or long sleeve, panelled, polo shirt with embroidered school logo or plain maroon polo shirt with Reynella PS iron-on logo.
- Jumpers:** Reynella PS jumper with embroidered school logo.
- Bottoms:** All clothing from waist down must be navy blue i.e. shorts, skirts (mid-thigh and longer), track pants, long pants, tights. Leggings can only be worn with a skirt.
- Dresses:** Summer uniform in school check of navy and cherry on white. Winter pinafores in navy with white and maroon check.
- Socks:** Maroon, navy, sky blue or white.
- Jewellery:** The only acceptable jewellery is studs or sleepers in the ears only and a watch. Items required for medical identification are exempt.

Please clearly label ALL clothing with first and last names.

Samples of our School Uniform are on display in the front office. Most items are available from the front office, some styles and sizes need to be ordered.

NON ACCEPTABLE DRESS

- Baseball cap
- Thongs, slippers and party shoes.
- Slogan T-shirts and jumpers of any sort.
- Midriff tops and tank tops with gaping holes.
- Short skirts (shorter than mid-thigh).
- Short shorts (shorter than mid-thigh).
- Singlets or shoestring tops.
- Make up, nail polish.
- Brightly coloured and patterned socks.
- Denim.
- Jewellery (other than studs or sleepers in the ears and a watch).
 - No items of jewellery are to be worn when sporting teams represent the school.
- No logos, apart from the official school logo, are permitted on any article of clothing.

EXEMPTIONS

Students may be exempted from the School Dress Code upon written request to the Principal from the parent/caregiver. If this is your intention, we ask that you apply annually for exemption from this policy. Grounds on which parents may seek exemption are listed in the rationale above.

Exemptions should be sought in the first three weeks of the school year or on arrival when enrolling during the year. No student will be denied access to learning programmes for not wearing the appropriate clothing as outlined by the Dress Code, but parents are expected to support this Governing Council initiative to project a positive image for our school.