



UNIFORM POLICY

RATIONALE:

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their appearance and instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the Deans Marsh Primary School community. Students are expected to dress in school uniform in a way that reflects a sense of pride in their school and themselves. It provides a means of identification and helps to ensure safety of our students, in the playground and in transit to and from the school.

AIMS:

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and belonging to our school community.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- It is expected that school uniform is correctly worn at all times as outlined in the Deans Marsh Primary School Uniform Appendix.
- A Deans Marsh Primary School Sun Smart approved hat is a compulsory part of the school uniform. Hats should be worn whilst outside during Term 1 and 4.
- For health and safety reasons:
 - Single stud or sleeper earrings are the only acceptable forms of jewellery
 - Long hair, i.e. shoulder-length and longer, must be tied back for students
 - Extreme hairstyles and unnatural hair colour are not acceptable (exemption may occur for approved fundraising days).
 - Make up may not be worn at school.
- All students must wear suitable footwear. Suitable shoes are boots, runners or black school shoes with a flat sole, lace or Velcro closure and a fully covered toe, side and heel.
- Students are encouraged to wear runners for Physical Education and sporting activities.
- When representing Deans Marsh Primary School in sporting events, appropriate uniform should be worn. Specific requirements are communicated to students concerned prior to an event. In some cases, specific uniforms (singlets) may be loaned to the student by the school for that particular event.
- Parents/Carers seeking exemptions to the school's uniform requirements due to religious beliefs, cultural background and student disability must consult the Principal.
- All uniform items should be clearly named.
- Students wearing non-uniform items will be reminded about School Uniform expectations and asked to wear correct uniform the following day. At times, students may be asked to remove inappropriate items and a loan uniform will be provided for the day.

RESOURCES:

The Cancer Council of Victoria provides guidelines for the correct implementation of Sun Smart procedures. Retrieved May 11, 2013, from www.cancervic.org.au/preventing-cancer/be-sunsmart
Appendix 1 – List of school uniform items

EVALUATION:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle.

Appendix 1: SCHOOL UNIFORM.

Uniforms are compulsory, and comprise:

<u>Summer</u>	Girls	Red and white gingham dress OR Red polo shirt & Navy shorts White socks Navy school windcheater
	Boys	Red polo shirt Navy shorts Navy school windcheater
<u>Winter</u>	Girls & Boys	Red polo shirt Navy blue tracksuit pants Navy school windcheater
<u>Sports Day</u>		Red polo shirt Navy shorts White socks and Runners

School windcheaters, polar fleece vests, rain jackets, dresses, tracksuit pants and polo shirts can be purchased from the office. School windcheaters are embroidered and must be purchased from the school. Other items may be purchased elsewhere.

Grade 6 Uniform: Grade 6 students design a polo shirt and windcheater which may be purchased to wear during their last year of primary school.