

Dress Code Policy

Wearing of the East Para Primary School uniform is compulsory for all students in Reception through to Year 6.

School uniform is important because:

- we know immediately if there are strangers on campus
- it encourages student pride in themselves and their school
- it enhances our public image and identity
- reduces peer pressure
- provides families with a cost effective option for school clothing
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By attending this school, students are agreeing to wear school uniform, and parents are agreeing to ensure that their students have access to the school uniform. It is important that students wear comfortable, hard wearing, easy to move in clothing so they are able to participate fully in the activities provided at the school.

Navy Blue, White and Maroon are the designated school colours.

THE SCHOOL DRESS CODE IS DEFINED BY ITEMS CHOSEN FROM:

- The EPPS emblem windcheater/rugby top and polo shirt in navy, white & maroon.
- Plain Navy Blue or White or Maroon Long/short sleeved polo shirt, T shirt, cotton shirt or skivvy.
- Plain Navy Blue, or Maroon for Windcheaters, Jumpers, or Jackets.
- Plain Navy Blue or Maroon Trousers, Pants/Track Pants/footless leggings.
- Shorts are permitted. **Shorts must be longer than tops.**
- Plain Navy Blue or Maroon Skirts/skorts or Pinafores.
- Navy Blue & White check or Maroon and White Gingham dresses.
- Sports briefs / tights are permitted to be worn with dresses, skirts and shorts/skorts.
- Raincoats for outside wear are the only items permitted in non-school colours.
- **No denim.**
- **No Jewellery**, except Sleepers, Studs, Rubber Wrist Bands and Watches are allowed.
- **No Makeup** including **No nail polish** or fake nails are to be worn.
- Hair restraints must be **discreet**.
- Plain white, blue, maroon or black socks to be worn.
- Hoods are to be worn before and after school, not during school hours.

Wide brimmed, Bucket or Legionnaire hats as approved by the Anti-Cancer Foundation, are **compulsory** during all play periods and outdoor classroom activities. However, in accordance with the Anti-Cancer “Sun Safe” policy, hats are NOT required but is encouraged in Term 2.

Footwear – Strong firm fitting shoes suitable for physical activities must be worn.

Students on school excursions/camps will comply with the School Dress Code unless alternative arrangements have been made, between the **Teacher and the Principal**, because of the nature of the activity.

TRANSFERRING STUDENTS

Students transferring from another school may wear that school's uniform until able to purchase clothing in line with the EPPS Dress Code Policy.

YEAR 6 students are given the opportunity each year to order a specific top either a windcheater and/or polo shirt using a student agreed design incorporating blue white and maroon or a combination of one or more of these colours

SCHOOL CAPTAINS are able to wear a School Captain shirt.

BEANIES EPPS beanies can be worn before and after school, and during Term 2 when the Anti-Cancer “Sun Safe” policy is in effect. No EPPS beanies, or any other beanies or hats, are to be worn inside buildings including the hall and library.

EXEMPTIONS

Written requests for exemption can be submitted on the following grounds

- Religious
- Cultural or Ethnic
- New Students (time to purchase, wear previous uniform)
- Itinerant students
- Financial hardship
- Genuine medical or family sickness reasons

UNIFORM SUPPLY

- All items of acceptable school wear in dress code colours are available at Devon clothing at Clovercrest Shopping Centre, Montague Road.
- Lost property is put on display once a term. Notice placed in newsletter. Uniforms not claimed/sold are donated to charity.
- Sun Smart Hats are available from the Finance Office at any time.

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LEGISLATION

The following information is from Department for Education 'School Uniform Procedures.'

4.1 Legislation

Pursuant to Regulation 86 of the *Education Regulations 2012* the school council of a school may—

(a) In accordance with any administrative instructions issued by the Minister as described above; and

(b) After consulting with parents and students of the school in accordance with any administrative instructions issued by the Minister as described above and having regard to their views, may determine a dress code for the school.

4.2 School Dress Code

A school dress code is the documented standards of what is acceptable in relation to the clothing worn by students at the school.

A school dress code can be applied to all students of the school or a specific section of the student body, and can include a range of clothing for students, which can be in form of a school uniform, colour code or mix and match clothing.

4.9 Enforcement and Non-Compliance

The head teacher will enforce the dress code of the school and may take appropriate disciplinary action in relation to wilful and persistent breach of that dress code.