

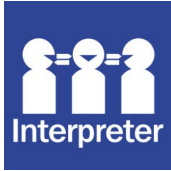


# Meadow Heights Primary School

Achieving the potential of all learners.



## MHPS Student Dress Code Policy



### Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the office on 03 9305 2033.

### PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Meadow Heights Primary School requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Meadow Heights Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support MHPS's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

### SCOPE

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

### UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

Meadow Heights Primary School compulsory school uniform items are as follows:

#### **Summer Uniform with school logo**

- Yellow or Navy Polo shirt
- Navy shorts
- Girls Navy/Blue/White Darter school dress with white socks
- Navy bomber jacket
- Navy or Yellow hair accessories (including Hijab)
- Navy bucket hat or legionnaire hat
- Black school shoes or runners

#### **Winter Uniform with school logo**

- Crew neck windcheater
- Yellow or Navy Long sleeve polo shirt
- Navy Tracksuit pants
- Navy bomber jacket
- Girls Navy/Blue/White Darter school dress with navy tights

- Navy or Yellow hair accessories (including Hijab)
- Black school shoes or runners

### **General appearance**

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, MHPS students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden.

### **Jewellery and cosmetics**

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, are the only acceptable jewellery.

Cosmetics may not be worn at school including nail polish.

### **Hair and Sun safety**

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety.

School uniform hats must be worn outside from Term 4 to term 1 of the following year. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

## **PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS**

Uniform items can be purchased directly from PSW website:

[Making your school look great Meadow Heights Primary School - Schools \(psw.com.au\)](http://psw.com.au)

Uniform items can also be purchased from various retail stores without school logo, but parents will need to purchase the school logo from the office to place on the new items.

### **Support for families experiencing difficulty**

Please contact the Principal to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website:

<https://www.ssr.net.au/>

## **IMPLEMENTATION**

Meadow Heights Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and enrolment forms. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

## **CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE**

Meadow Heights Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy*, available on the school website.

## **COMMUNICATION**

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Reminders in our school newsletter

- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

## FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- [Meadow Heights Primary School Sunsmart Policy](#)
- [Meadow Heights Primary School Parent Complaint Policy](#)
- [Meadow Heights Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

## POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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| Consultation               | School Leadership Team      |
| Approved by                | School Council – April 2022 |
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