

# Kapunda Primary School Dress Code – Uniform Policy

### **Belief Statement**

We believe that wearing a school uniform:

- Promotes pride in our school and enhances our public image.
- Reduces peer pressure and promotes opportunity for equal participation.
- Encourages appropriate clothing for school activities and ensures child's safety in school.

#### Aim

- To identify students as members of the Kapunda Primary School community and increase their sense of belonging.
- All students attending Kapunda Primary School will wear clothing consistent with the dress code.
- To contribute to a positive impact on school behaviour.
- To be practical, serviceable, readily available, comfortable, reasonably priced and acceptable to the majority.
- To provide some sufficient options to suit financial circumstances, tastes, shapes and full range of weather conditions.

## Implementation strategies

As a school, the following strategies will be implemented to ensure the dress code is followed:

- Staff support and promote wearing of dress code by positive reinforcement, assemblies and reminders.
- Governing Council actively support and promote the wearing of the dress code.
- Giving our Year 6 students an identity through organising jumpers.
- Providing dress code items (short term) where necessary e.g. excursions.
- Speaking to students to find out why they are not complying with the dress code.
- Contacting parents/carers and seeking a commitment to comply within an agreed time frame.
- Providing access to a second hand dress code service, to assist parents to obtain dress code items.
- Providing a range of payment methods for dress code purchase.

## Uniform

Students are expected to wear uniform to and from school. While wearing uniform, students are representing the school and should behave appropriately.

Some items of clothing are not acceptable as school wear at any time for Work, Health and Safety reasons. At all times clothing must cover the body adequately.

Full school uniform (including school hat as required] is expected to be worn on all excursions [unless advised otherwise).

For special events such as choir performances, sporting events and school photos, school uniform is to be worn (unless advised otherwise).

Girls

- Polo top Kapunda Primary School Navy blue polo top with school logo
- Dress Navy blue and white check (Navy blue leggings or bike shorts may only be worn under dresses)
- Shorts/Skirts/Skorts Navy blue (no denim, stripes, logos/brand names or netball skirts)
- Pants Navy blue pants/tracksuit pants (no denim, stripes or logos/brand names)
- Windcheater Navy blue windcheater, jumper, Year 6 jumper or blue zip front jacket/vest (no logos)





#### Boys

- Polo top Kapunda Primary School Navy blue polo top with school logo
- Shorts Navy blue (no denim, stripes or logos/brand names)
- Pants Navy blue pants/tracksuit pants (no denim, stripes or logos/brand names)
- Windcheater Navy blue windcheater, jumper, Year 6 jumper or blue zip front jacket/vest (no logos)

#### Footwear

- Black/brown shoes/boots (closed in for safety)
- Sneakers (flat)
- Footwear appropriate for physical activity
- Footwear that can be tightened securely for safety reasons
- No sandals or thongs for safety reasons

Hats and Solar protection

- Students are provided with a school hat when starting at the school in reception. This is to be replaced with a school hat at the cost of the student when in an unacceptable condition (torn, bent or damaged).
- Children will wear hats outside e.g. recess, lunch, excursions and camps when the UV is over 3.
- The school has a "No hat No play rule" as per the schools Sun Smart Policy or when a hat is lost.
- Students will wear t-shirts or ultraviolet swimming clothes during swimming lessons, carnivals etc.
- Hats must not have a cord as per DfE regulations.

Jewellery/Make Up and Hair

- Wrist watches (except Smart devices), medic alerts, small stud earrings and sleeper earrings are the only jewellery permitted. Due to safety reasons, no other visual piercings are acceptable.
- Make up, fake nails and nail polish is discouraged.
- Hair colouring is discouraged.
- Hair should be kept in a clean, neat and tidy manner at all times. Students who have hair below shoulder length should have their hair tied back to prevent spread of head lice. Hair ties, ribbons or scrunchies should be discreet and preferably navy blue.

## Damaged and Unsightly clothing

The school recognises that student clothing will get damaged, torn and stained. Parents should, when possible replace clothing that becomes unsightly through natural wear and tear. Clothing that is damaged purposefully by students is not suitable. This includes tearing, bending hats and writing logos, pictures and comments on clothing.

## Labelling clothing

All clothing should be labelled with first and last names.

## Exemptions

The Department for Education has made provisions for exemptions from wearing the uniform. Grounds on which parents/careers may seek written permission from the principal are:

- Religious/cultural/ethical
- Genuine medical/sickness reasons





### Purchasing Uniforms

- New school uniform items can be purchased from the front office. Payment plans are available to assist families.
- All uniforms must be paid for before leaving the office.
- Pre-loved dress code appropriate items will be available for \$5 each. These can be purchased from the Front Office.
- The school and the Uniform committee would appreciate and encourage parents who have dress code appropriate clothing, which are not needed anymore and are in good condition, to donate it to the school to sell.

#### **Lost Property**

- Lost Property Box is located outside the Front Office.
- Communication to parents/carers at the applicable time each school term to remind parents/carers to check the lost property.
- Uniform Committee/volunteers will organise time/s throughout the term to display lost property items for collection (display set up near JP area).
- Items labelled will be returned to enrolled students.

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