

MVPS DRESS CODE POLICY



DRESS CODE: Our school's Governing Council has determined that the wearing of clothing described in the following school policy is a requirement for all students. It is expected that all children will wear the school colours of navy and sky blue tops and navy blue pants or skirts. Our school's dress code aims to give students a sense of pride in their school. The wearing of the school colours is also a safety issue as it is easy to recognise students in the yard, on excursions or when representing the school. It also allows for suitable clothing for everyday wear.

Listed below are some suggestions in accordance with our school dress code:

Please note that black/grey are not school colours. Ripped clothing is not acceptable (patches in school colours acceptable).

ITEM	ACCEPTABLE	UNACCEPTABLE
Tops / Polo Shirts	Plain navy blue or sky blue only	No patterns, slogans or stripes. No midriff tops or tank tops.
Long sleeved tops	Plain navy blue or sky blue only (can also be worn under school t-shirts in navy, sky and white)	No patterns, slogans or stripes.
Jumpers/Windcheaters /Jackets	Plain navy blue	No patterns, slogans or stripes. No SAPSASA / Wakikirri / Hutt St / local sporting clubs /other charities etc. merchandise clothing: Whilst we are proud of our students achievements, participation etc. if parents/caregivers choose to purchase this merchandise, it is to be worn outside of school as it is not part of MVPS school uniform (students may choose to wear these items on casual clothes days at the end of each term or other dress up days.)
Shorts / Trousers/ Leggings	Plain navy blue only MUST be mid thigh or longer in length	No patterns, slogans or stripes. No items that are shorter than mid thigh in length such as Nike Pro pants, brief bike shorts, brief shorts. Everything needs to be mid thigh in length or longer. Jeans are also unacceptable.
Skirt/Pinafore	Plain navy blue only MUST be mid thigh or longer in length	No patterns, slogans or stripes. No skirts shorter than mid thigh in length.
Dresses	MVPS school dress available from Uniform shop. Generic blue and white gingham dresses are also acceptable.	Dresses that are not within school colours and design.
Hats	Plain navy blue broad-brimmed, bucket or legionnaire	No patterns, slogans or stripes. No caps. Hats must be in good condition – no writing, tears or cuts. Hats to be worn outside only.
Tights	Plain navy blue only	No patterns, slogans or stripes.
Shoes, sandals or sneakers	Please be mindful that some sandals do not support active play.	No crocs, thongs, slippers or party shoes.
Beanies	Plain navy blue only	No patterns, slogans or stripes. Beanies are for outside wear only during winter months and are not to be worn in place of a sun safe hat.

Jewellery	Small studs and sleepers Watches that do not connect to the internet	No necklaces, dangling earrings and chokers due to safety reasons – torn earlobes & strangulation). No Smart watches.
Hair	Students with long hair are to wear it tied back each day for health and safety reasons. Spare hair ties available at Student Services for those who forget. Children are to wear accessories that comply with school colours e.g. hair ties, head bands etc.	No accessories that do not comply with school colours e.g. hair ties, head bands etc.
Makeup	None	No makeup, nail polish, acrylic or SNS nails.

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH DRESS CODE:

On those occasions when it is not possible for a student to comply with the uniform requirements, a written note must be provided (diary note, Seesaw message or email) and shown to the student's class teacher. ***This is a valid exemption on the day it is received by the class teacher.***

We have a **Swap a Top** system in place at Student Services that students are able to access should they wear a non-uniform school top. At times when no parental note is present, teachers will access this supply to ensure that students are keeping with the school's dress code.

If students do not have a hat they will need to spend their break time under the verandah outside OSHC. (There are no spare hats available due to health reasons.)

Non-compliance with the school's dress code will result in the following action:

- A warning will be passed on to the student by the teacher and/or leadership with an expectation that they be appropriately dressed the following day.
- Non-compliance the following day will be followed up with a note home and/or telephone conversation with parent by a teacher or leadership.

Parents in financial hardship will need to communicate with a leadership/wellbeing/ATSI team member if they are unable to support the Dress Code Policy so that we can support you and your child.

PURCHASING UNIFORMS:

- Items can be purchased through the school's uniform shop or via the QKR! app. Please contact Student Services for access to the uniform shop or with queries about ordering uniform. If uniform is ordered via the QKR! app, the uniform will be supplied to the student via the classroom (unless prior arrangements have been made for the parent to collect at the front office.)
- Some second hand uniform items are available in the uniform shop. We also have a second hand uniform Facebook page where parents communicate with each other.

Plain clothing can also be purchased through many local stores. It is not compulsory to wear items with school logo, but items must be in school colours (see above).

LOST PROPERTY:

- Please LABEL ALL ITEMS of clothing. Each week we are overwhelmed with how many items without names that we find in the Lost Property Box.
- Lost Property Box (located outside Student Services door) will be cleaned out at the end of each term.

- Any named items will be returned to students via their classroom teacher, and any remaining unnamed items will be donated to charity or used in the School uniform shop on the second hand items clothing rack.

The School's Dress Code has been ratified by the McLaren Vale Primary School Governing Council. Reviewed and verified by Governing Council January 2025