



MONTMORENCY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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 9434 5944 or email montmorency.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Examples School's 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 Montmorency 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.

OBJECTIVE

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Montmorency Primary School'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.

POLICY

- School Council is responsible for developing a Uniform Policy that provides choice for students, allows students to safely participate in school activities and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Uniform Policy applies during school hours, including when students are on school excursions.
- School families are informed of the Uniform Policy on enrolment.
- A list of uniform items and prices is available on the school website montmorency.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.
- Uniform items are ordered online from our supplier <https://www.rhsports.com.au/shop/>

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- Unisex clothing options are available for Summer and Winter.
- The wearing of broad-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket style hats when outside is compulsory from 1 September until 30 April, in accordance with SunSmart recommendations and the School's Sun Protection policy.
- Sleeveless tops do not provide sun protection and should not be worn.
- For safety reasons, shoes must have closed toes, flat soles and be securely fastened (no sandals, raised heels or slip-on shoes).
- For safety reasons, only stud earrings should be worn, especially during sporting activities.
- The school accepts donations of good-quality, second-hand uniform items which will be made available for purchase.
- For families experiencing financial hardship, arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via the State Schools Relief Fund. <https://stateschoolsrelief.org.au/>

Parents/carers are encouraged to:

- Ensure their child is wearing clothing and footwear that complies with the Uniform Policy.
- Provide a SunSmart hat for their child to wear at school from 1 September to 30 April.

Students are expected to:

- Wear clothing and footwear which keeps them safe at school. This includes tops which cover shoulders and flat shoes which cover toes.
- Wear a SunSmart hat when outside from 1 September to 30 April.

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
- Discussed in student forums
- Included in staff handbook/manual
- Discussed at staff briefings/meetings as required
- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Montmorency Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- Montmorency Primary School Parent Complaint Policy
- Montmorency 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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