



UNIFORM POLICY

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Review period:	Three years	Owner:	School Council and Principal

Maramba Primary School Uniform Policy

This Uniform Policy applies to all students within Maramba Primary School. It is based on the Department for Education and Training's (DET) current guidance available on its website. This policy recognises the school's legal duties in that all school councils have the authority to develop and implement dress codes for their students with this authority arising from a Ministerial Order under the Education and Training Reform Act 2006, Section 16(1)(c) - Education and Training Regulations 2007 and the Victorian Equal Opportunity Act 2010.

1. Principles underpinning the Uniform Policy

At Maramba Primary School, the School Council and Principal are responsible for setting general principles that inform the school's policy. After consultation with the school community, the policy was developed which expects the following:

- students demonstrate pride in their school and own appearance;
- parents/carers encourage their children to show respect and support the school community;
- the school will work positively with all community members to ensure consistency;
- all staff will be responsible for ensuring the principles and aims of the policy are upheld.

2. Aims:

The aims of the Uniform Policy are to:

- promote equality amongst all students;
- promote student self-esteem, self-discipline including a sense of responsibility;
- instill a recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community to further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school;
- ensure the health and safety of all students in all school activities;
- to assist the recognition and location of students when on school excursions;
- encourage a positive relationship with parents and carers developing a strong sense of pride in the school image;
- maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the Narre Warren community and beyond;
- provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.

3. Expectations:

- parents seeking exemptions to the Uniform Policy due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the Principal for consideration;
- school clothing must be in school colours of navy, jade and white;
- only stud earrings worn in the ears, watches and health tracking bracelets (e.g. Fitbits) are the only acceptable accessories;
- the only logo allowed on clothing is the school logo;
- singlet tops and jeans are not to be worn;
- safe durable shoes are to be worn at all times: no open toed shoes or thongs are permitted
- the only acceptable headwear is a navy blue broad brimmed hat, consistent with our 'Sun smart' policy, to be worn during first and fourth terms. In second and third terms only beanies, scarves and tights in school colours are permitted to be worn;
- extreme hair colors (e.g. green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (e.g. spikes or mohawks) are not permitted;
- nail polish, fake tattoos and cosmetics may not be worn at school;
- only Year 6 students may wear the special Year 6 apparel e.g. 2015 Year 6 clothing may only be worn by the 2015 Year 6 students;
- the Uniform Policy applies during school hours and when students are on school excursions unless stipulated by the Principal;
- School Council requires the Principal to be responsible for the implementation of the Uniform Policy in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.