



## Students Uniform Policy and Procedures

ALL students attending Murray Bridge North School will wear full school uniform as approved by the Governing Council.

### **Guiding Principle**

The purpose of the Uniform Policy is to support and encourage all students attending our school be clearly identifiable in our school colours and to be recognized as belonging to the Murray Bridge North School. The blue (primary) or red (Junior Primary) colour easily identifies students.

The Uniform Policy has been determined by the Governing Council after consultation with the school community, parents/caregivers, students and staff.

Parents and carers are expected to support the student's wearing of the school uniform and acknowledge this support at the time of student enrolment.

### **Procedures for School Uniform**

Every student will wear school uniform at school and on all excursions, trips and when attending school events. Students may wear the special purpose Year 7 top, choir top, Deadly Award top or sports uniform as appropriate, and as approved by the Governing Council or as approved by the Principal or Deputy Principal for special events from time to time.

Any student not wearing the polo top at school, will be sent to the front office to borrow a top from the 'lend out' cupboard. The office records the name and class of the student and notes that they have a 'borrowed' school top.

- The 'borrowed' top is for wearing in the school ONLY (this means that students cannot borrow uniform for excursions and cannot leave the school without appropriate uniform)
- The 'borrowed' top is returned to the office at the end of the school day
- Hats are NOT lent out.

The school uniform is to be worn in the appropriate manner. When in class the uniform is to be worn 'on the outside' of other clothing so the blue or red colour is clear and visible.

### **What is our School Uniform?**

The uniform is defined as the following:

- A plain blue or red polo top, with or without the school logo supported by blue or red windcheaters with or without logo.
- Black, navy or grey pants or shorts. This includes denim or track pants but must be plain (side stripe is acceptable but NO advertising logos).
- Students may also wear the school summer dress (red or blue check), or black, navy or dark skirt or shorts with the appropriate school top. This includes a denim skirt (however the guidelines for length and appropriateness apply). Black tights or leggings may be worn under the skirt or shorts.
- A hat which is a school 'bucket' hat in navy. Murray Bridge North School is a SUNSAFE School and all students are to wear a school hat that meets the SUNSAFE Guidelines.
- An appropriate hat will be worn by all students and when outdoors, wear appropriate clothing which covers and protects the skin as much as possible."

- Wear a hat with a brim of 6 cm or greater during all outdoor activities. A Sunsafe hat will be worn by all students and staff from 1 September to 30 April and at any other time when the UV level is 3 or greater.
- No hat = no play. Students without a hat in Terms 1 and 4 will work in the 'Re-think Room.'
- Shoes should be sneakers, runners or solid shoes.
- No open toe sandals are acceptable for Occupational Health and Safety reasons.
- All footwear needs to be secured to the student's feet by a strap, velcro or laces.
- The preference is for the sole of shoes / runner to be white as this protects the gym floor.
- Students are to wear hair colour which is a natural colour.
- Students with hair that is shoulder length or longer need to tie their hair back using a plain hair tie.

Suggestions of extra clothing choices, such as Year 7 tops, will be welcomed from the students via the Learner Voice, parents/caregivers and staff. These recommendations are made to the Governing Council. There will be scope for fundraising dress up days.

### **Not Part of School Uniform.**

For safety reasons, the wearing of jewellery, rings and necklaces is to be minimal, with the exception of simple studs and / or sleepers, watches and "medi – alert" type medallions. Any jewellery containing a 'loop' or ring is not acceptable.

Students with pierced ears are to wear studs and / or sleepers. Other visible piercings will be studs only.

In support of the SUNSAFE policy and for general student safety, the following articles are NOT school wear –

- Mini skirts or brief shorts – the student must be able to stand upright, with their arms to their side and the tips of their fingers touching their shorts or skirt.
- High heeled shoes, slippers or thongs. Slip-on shoes are not to be worn to school.
- Make-up – nail polish is acceptable, other make-up is to be avoided
- Articles of clothing with inappropriate wording or designs.

### **Excursions**

For ease of recognition and identification students will wear school uniform for out of school events such as District Sports Days, High School Transition and Choir Performances and ALL school excursions. This contributes to the safety of students.

### **New Enrolments**

Students who are newly enrolled in the school are asked to be in full school uniform. If this is not possible, they should be dressed in 'neat casual dress' and wear as much of the school uniform as possible.

It should be noted that ALL other aspects of the Uniform Policy and Procedures apply to students who are newly enrolled – that is shoes, jewellery, make up, hats etc. ... Newly enrolled students will be dressed 'appropriately' for school until full uniform is available. This should be negotiated with the Principal or Deputy Principal.

### **Parent & Caregiver Support**

Parents and Caregivers are expected to support their children in the wearing of school uniform.

ALL students will be subject to the Uniform Policy and Procedures. Notes of explanation from parents / caregivers will be accepted by the Principal as information, but will not excuse the students from uniform.

**Casual Days**

Special days and casual days are arranged from time to time.

**The Principal or the Deputy Principal have the final judgment about what is school uniform or whether the student is suitably dressed for school.**

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