

SCHOOL UNIFORM DRESS CODE

Our school formally adopted a school dress code, ratified in 2006 and reviewed in 2009, 2015 and 2021 by the P&C Association, which requires the wearing of a correct school uniform every day.

The benefits of implementing a uniform policy include:

- the promotion of a good image of the school within the community
- easy identification of students for supervision and safety reasons; minimizing harassment attributed to and accentuated by dress
- ensuring that all students have items of dress that allow full participation in all school activities
- encouraging respect between students and school staff, students and community members and amongst the student body
- consideration of our workplace health and safety obligation.

In developing our Dress Code, the following issues have been considered:

- the appropriateness of clothing in respect to climatic conditions, sun protection and personal comfort
- the cost of clothing and the need to ensure affordability and maximum use to meet the diverse circumstances of students and their families/carers within the school community
- respect to cultural diversity within the school community.

Hair

A student's hair must be of natural hair colour. Hair that is past shoulder length must be tied up.

Jewellery

Acceptable jewellery for wearing at school consists of small studs or sleepers in ears and a watch. No bracelets, necklaces, anklets or dangling items from sleepers. These are not suitable to wear for workplace health and safety reasons. It is also recognised that some jewellery is worn for cultural reasons. Any jewellery such as this need to be discussed with and approved by the school on a case-by-case basis.

Uniform Shop

The P&C operates a Uniform Shop, which opens throughout the school year to provide new and second-hand uniforms at affordable prices. Not all items required to complete the full uniform are available from the uniform shop. Refer to the price list for items available at the shop.

Uniform Details

- Sports polo with Salisbury State School logo
- Checked shirt with Salisbury State School logo
- Maroon skirt - netball style
- Maroon skorts or culottes
- Maroon shorts
- Checked dress with Salisbury State School logo
- Black school shoes or sandshoes which are mainly black with white socks (which cover the ankle)
- Head Scarf - plain maroon, sky blue, navy blue or white

Winter Uniform

- Maroon long pants, tracksuit pants, leggings, tights or jazz pants. If maroon is not available, then navy blue will be acceptable.
- Maroon pullover/jumper or zip front jacket (no hood)
- Maroon long-sleeved top worn under the uniform will also be accepted during the cooler months. If maroon is not available navy blue or white will also be acceptable.

Sports Uniform

- House colour sports t-shirt
- Swimwear – long sleeve swimmers or rashie (as per swimming lesson requirements)
- Swimming cap - house / school colours

Headwear

A maroon bucket hat, broad brimmed hat or legionnaire hat. **Caps are not permitted.** Students will not be allowed out to play outdoors without a hat.

General

This Dress Code shall be made available to each student on commencing at the school and will be made available to any person on request. It will also be published in the School Newsletter for the attention of continuing students and their parents. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the Dress Code and the responsibility of parents/carers to encourage and facilitate the wearing of school uniform. It is the responsibility of the Principal and staff of the school to administer this Dress Code by taking the following actions:

- Offer appropriate item/s from a bank of uniforms held at school.
- Take action that prevents risk to student or others, or action that maintains normal school operations.
- Inform student's parents/carers of incidents and discuss further with parents/carers, and the student to prevent a recurrence; and
- Implement a process of conflict resolution or mediation if a student persistently wears inappropriate dress after discussions have been held with parents/carers.

Short or long-term exemption to this policy is assessed on a case-by-case basis and can only be approved by the Principal.