



DONVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact the Principal 03 9842 3373

PURPOSE

In consultation with the school community and School Council, a uniform dress code and policy has been developed with the aim of reinforcing in students a sense of pride in their appearance, instilling recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assist in developing pride in representing their school.

SCOPE

This policy ensures the following considerations have been made:

- Respecting the cultural norms of the school community
- Allows for individual expression through alternatives within overall garment requirements
- Is suitable to the role of a student and the tasks and functions they perform
- Takes into account health and safety issues
- Allows students to dress comfortably in all weather conditions
- Provides clothing for sports or physical education that is practical and that all students will feel comfortable wearing
- Supports informal or incidental physical activity such as lunchtime sport, walking or cycling to school
- Is communicated clearly to students, parents or carers prior to enrolment
- The range and cost of garments reflects the capacity of families to provide them
- Is supported by strategies to assist families who may have difficulty meeting uniform costs and this information is communicated to the school community
- Outlines the dress code complaints/concerns process.

POLICY

- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and winter uniforms, as well as sports uniforms will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- Black shoes are to be worn with the academic uniform. Black runners are acceptable. Any colour runner is acceptable for Physical Education.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colours (eg. Green, pink, purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg. Mohawks) are not permitted. Long hair should be tied back for hygiene and sport purposes.
- Hair accessories must be school colours.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn.
- Students will wear school hats for outside activities during Terms 1 and 4 and at other times of high UV exposure. The only hats acceptable are the 'Sun Smart' hats that are sold by the Uniform Shop, which have been deemed compliant with the School's Sun Smart Policy.
- Summer and winter uniform items can be mixed and matched. For example, boys grey shorts with navy long sleeved polo. Girls bootleg pant with navy short sleeved polo.
- The student Dress Code will be published on the school's website.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship. <https://stateschoolsrelief.org.au/>
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply to the Principal for consideration.

IMPLEMENTATION

The school uniform is available from RHSports <https://www.rhuniforms.com.au/>. There will also be second-hand uniforms available for purchase from the office at school or via a parent-run Facebook page [Pre-Loved Uniforms Buy & Sell: Donvale Primary School](#).

Uniform Items

Girls: Summer uniform	Girls: Winter uniform
DPS Buttonfront dress	DPS tartan pinafore
Bike shorts (optional) under dress	Navy bootleg pants
Navy culottes	Navy long sleeved polo
Navy short sleeved polo	Navy DPS windcheater
Navy DPS windcheater	Navy DPS bomber jacket
Navy DPS bomber jacket	Navy DPS wool blend jumper
Navy DPS wool blend jumper	White socks or navy tights
White socks	Black school style shoes or black runners
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DPS issue sun smart hat	
Boys: Summer uniform	Boys: Winter uniform

Grey shorts	Grey long pants
Navy short sleeved polo	Navy long sleeved polo
Navy DPS windcheater	Navy DPS windcheater
Navy DPS bomber jacket	Navy DPS bomber jacket
Navy DPS wool blend jumper	Navy DPS wool blend jumper
Grey socks (similar to shorts colour)	Grey socks (similar to pants colour)
Black school style shoes or black runners	Black school style shoes or black runners
DPS issue sun smart hat	
Girls & Boys Sports uniform	
Navy DPS sports shorts	
Navy DPS micro-fibre sports polo	
Navy DPS track pants	
White sports socks	
Appropriate sports shoes/runners	
School Bag	
DPS school logo school bag	

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
<http://donvaleps.vic.edu.au/school-info/policies/>
- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Discussed in student forums
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

[School uniforms | Victorian Government \(www.vic.gov.au\)](http://www.vic.gov.au)
[Student Dress Code: Guidance | education.vic.gov.au](http://education.vic.gov.au)

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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