



## **DERINYA STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY**

### **1. RATIONALE**

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

### **2. OBJECTIVES**

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.
- To maintain a clean orderly school environment.

### **3. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES**

- After consultation with the school community and the Student Representative Council, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- 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 a sports uniform will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- The school PE department will provide many of the required sports uniforms for interschool sport.
- All children are encouraged to buy a house coloured T-shirt for house cross country and athletics.
- Year 6 polos and windcheaters are provided by a private company and ordered through the school.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colors (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: shaved heads, mohawks) are not permitted. Long hair must be tied back.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- The only head wear that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart policy. They must be worn outside in terms 1 & 4. Derinya school beanies may be worn in winter. Hats are not to be worn inside.

- Community Connect will conduct a second hand uniform shop for \$1 per garment. Any lost property which is un-named and unclaimed will be sent to the second hand uniform shop.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and advertisement of “Primary School Wear” (PSW) Uniform Shop in Frankston will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year and details provided to new parents.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the principal.
- School Council in cooperation with PSW will support families who have difficulty supplying their children with uniforms.
- **Footwear is a personal choice but all children must wear sturdy covered in shoes, this is an OH&S requirement.**

#### 4. RESOURCES

- PSW Flyers will be distributed regularly and new Prep parents will be shown the correct uniform.

#### 5. EVALUATION

The Derinya Dress Code will be evaluated triennially.

#### 6. RESPONSIBILITY

Policy – Principal, Student Health and Well Being Coordinator, School Council and families.

Council Approved

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Education Sub-Committee Approved

Review

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