Student Dress Code Policy

Help for non-English speakers
If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact our office.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Seville Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Seville Primary's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Seville Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

SCOPE

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code during school hours and when attending school activities.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

The full list of Seville Primary School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

While at school or participating in school activities, students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms should be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden
- Appropriate footwear is required at all times, including socks. This includes school shoes/boots or runners, or sandals with low heels, closed toe and back straps. High/platform heeled footwear, foam sandals (i.e CROCS and thongs) are not permitted.

Additional Uniform Conditions

- Students on school excursions or when representing our school in the community must wear a top bearing the school logo.
- Year six students may purchase and wear, as part of their uniform, a Year 6 T-shirt or Bomber

Exemptions to this policy include:
• Special dress up days
• School house sport days children may wear house colours.

Health and safety
Shoulder length or longer hair should be tied back to help restrict the spread of lice and for student safety.

Extreme hair colours and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: Mohawks) are not permitted.

Jewellery, nails, hair accessories and similar items that interfere with students' ability to engage with school activities safely and fully are not permitted.

Acceptable jewellery should only be worn with consideration of the child's school yard activities. Seville Primary School is not responsible for lost or stolen jewellery.

Cosmetics and fake lashes may not be worn at school. Only clear nail polish is permitted.

Students who wear braids or locs may wear them loose, except for applied technology classes where hair should be tied back for safety purposes.

We are a SunSmart School - School uniform hats (wide brimmed) must be worn outside from mid-August (exact date to be set by the school annually) to 30 April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice. Our NO HAT, NO PLAY rule applies during this time.

Hats are not to be worn inside. Beanies can be worn in winter months.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from LOWES at Lilydale Marketplace, or parents may order it directly from the LOWES website - Seville Primary School | Shop Online | Lowes Schoolwear Australia // Lowes

A small second-hand uniform store is available to parents for a small charge. If you require second hand uniform items please contact the Office.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

The School Council has considered affordability in the development of this dress code. However, if you are facing difficulty meeting uniform costs the Help with school costs and fees page provides advice on support offered by the Victorian Government. If your child is starting prep or year 7 and is eligible to receive support via the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund, you may be eligible to access the Affordable School Uniform (ASU) program.

Please contact the Principal or Office to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: https://www.ssr.net.au/

Seville Primary School also has uniforms available to families to borrow on request.

IMPLEMENTATION

The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items, will be provided in the school information pack at the start of each year. It can also be found either at the School Office or downloaded from our website at www.sevilleps.vic.edu.au. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note via Compass Chronicle will be provided to the student and parents by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

The School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code. Students new to the school will be allowed three weeks in which to comply with the Student Dress Code.

Measures taken by Seville Primary School to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

Exemptions to Student Dress Code:
We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.
Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE

Seville Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's Parent Concerns and Complaints Policy, available on our website.

ADDITIONAL AND RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

- Department of Education and Training - Developing or reviewing a Student Dress Code Policy
- Seville Primary School SunSmart Policy
- Seville Primary School Parent Concerns and Complaints Policy
- Seville Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training Student Dress Code
- Department of Education and Training Sun Smart policy guidelines
- Department of Education and Training Student Dress Code: Health and Safety considerations
- Department of Education and Training Student Engagement policies and guidelines.

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

This policy will be reviewed as part of the School's policy review cycle

Policy last reviewed	21st July 2026
Consultation	School Council, 27th July 2026
Approved by	Principal, 27th July 2026
Next scheduled review date	July 2028

APPENDIX A: Seville Primary School Uniform List

Standard Uniform

Item	Details
Plain Navy Blue Pants	No denim and no tight fitting leggings. (Leggings may be worn under dresses during colder months) Pants appropriate for school activities, including Physical Education, are to be worn.
Plain Navy Blue short and long sleeved polos	With or without school logo
Plain Navy Blue windcheater or bomber jacket	With or without school logo
Please note: At least one top with school logo is required for each child	
Blue and White checked girls summer dresses	Navy bike shorts may be worn underneath dresses.
Plain Navy Blue Shorts/Skort	Short length, appropriate for school activities, including Physical Education, are to be worn.
Socks that are visible	White, black or navy: branding covered.
Shoes	Closed in and appropriate for all school activities including sport and Physical Education.
Hair accessories	Neutral or school colours.
Sun Smart approved plain Navy Blue hats	Must be worn from mid-August to April 30
Plain Navy Blue or school beanies	With or without school logo may be worn in terms 2 and 3.

Jewellery/Cosmetics

Item	Details
Jewellery	Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches and activity tracker are the only acceptable jewellery. No necklaces allowed (under special circumstances allowed)
Hair colours	Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles are not permitted.
Cosmetics	Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school, including fake nails.

Free Dress

On days of "**Free Dress**" or "**Out of Uniform**" activities and events the following also applies:

- Clothing must be Sun Smart and cover shoulders, torso and upper thighs.
- According to our Sun Smart policy, no singlet or strappy tops/dresses to be worn. Sun Smart hats must be worn from mid-August to 30th April.
- During Crazy Hair Days, or the equivalent, extreme, non-permanent hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme non-permanent hairstyles are permitted.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school, including fake nails, except as part of costumes for "Free Dress" days.
- Shoes should be closed in and appropriate for all school activities including sport and Physical Education.