**Happy Valley Primary School Uniform Policy**

Education Regulation 77 provides Governing Councils with the right to determine School Dress Policy. This policy has been developed by the school community and is based on feedback from staff, students and parents. This policy is supported and endorsed by the school's Governing Council.

**Why does HVPS have a uniform?**

At Happy Valley Primary School we believe that an agreed dress code for students means that:

- Students are dressed neatly, appropriately and safely for all school activities
- A sense of pride and belonging is developed
- Students are easily identified on school grounds, excursions and while travelling to and from school
- Cost for families is minimal compared with the cost (both financial and social) of casual clothes

The Principal may exempt students from the Dress Code upon written request from the parent/caregiver. Grounds on which parents may seek exemption are:

- Religious, cultural or ethnic beliefs
- New students / given time to purchase new items
- Genuine medical reasons

**What is the HVPS Dress Code.**

- Students are expected to wear the correct school uniform to school and on all school excursions

The Happy Valley uniform consists of the following *compulsory* items:

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- **Pants** - girls black boot leg or straight leg pant

- **Shorts** - black cargo or dress shorts

- **Black School Skirt**

- **School Summer Dress** - bottle green, gold and white check

- **Hats** - bottle green legionnaire style with school logo

- **Shoes** - Black leather school shoes, sneakers in mostly black or white, or closed toe and heel sandals. Any laces need to be black or white, to match the shoe.
  - During kitchen lessons students need to wear shoes that cover their feet.
What is not acceptable school wear?

- Pants, shorts, skirts, tops or hats with logos other than the School logo
- Short revealing skirts or shorts (must be mid-thigh or longer)
- Hooded tops, tank tops or shoe-string strap tops
- Denim or denim look alike clothing
- Leggings or tracksuit pants
- Coloured items of clothing which show under the school polo shirt, unless bottle green
- Thongs, ugg-boots, slip-on or open-toe shoes
- Make-up or nail polish of any sort. Stick-on transfers and tattoos are also not acceptable
- Head-bands or hair accessories etc. that are not in school colours
- Jewellery - exceptions are small inconspicuous studs, sleepers, Medical Alert Bands and watches
- Sports uniforms

Further Information

- Hats – Compulsory wear by all students in terms 1 and 4
- For safety reasons we promote a no hat, no play policy. Therefore students without hats in terms 1 and 4 will need to remain in designated shaded areas.
- We recommend that students with long hair keep this tied back. This is especially important during sports lessons and if students have cooking lessons in our kitchen.
- Leggings are not permitted but during colder months girls may wear plain black tights under their school dress.
- A few times a year the school has a casual day. We do ask that any clothing worn on casual days is appropriate for school, is not revealing and is SunSmart.
- Parents shall be contacted by leadership if students have failed to wear the correct uniform or not dress appropriately.

Monitoring

- Monitoring will be conducted by classroom teachers. Students who do not comply will have a note placed in their diary to be signed by the parent/caregiver.
- If a student continues to fail to wear their school uniform after notes have been sent home a meeting will be made with them and the principal or a senior staff member to resolve any religious, medical or financial issue preventing the student from wearing the uniform.
- Students who do not wear the school uniform will not be able to participate at any out of school activity including camps and excursions or represent the school officially at activities such as SAPSASA, etc.

New uniforms

- School uniforms can be purchased from our school Uniform Shop
  Opening Hours
  Thursday: 3:00 - 3:30 pm     Friday: 8:30 - 9:15 am
- Order forms are available from the uniform shop, school website and the front office
- Please return all order forms and payments to the front office.

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