



Uniform Policy

POLICY STATEMENT

It is a Governing Council decision and expectation that all students at Vale Park Primary School wear the school uniform whenever they are at school or representing the school. This reflects a sense of pride in our school and its expectations.

RATIONALE

At Vale Park Primary School we believe that the Uniform and School Dress Code:

- Promotes a sense of belonging and pride in the school community
- Gives the school a unique identity
- Creates a sense of equity for the students
- Is practical in its application to a wide range of physical activities and weather conditions
- Is appropriate for all students, offering a wide range of choices to suit activities
- Ensures students observe health, safety and appropriate standards
- Eliminates competition for brand name, denim and "fad" clothing and the wearing of inappropriate clothes and accessories.
- Allows for easy identification in school and on excursions.
- Is in accordance with the Cancer Council SA's recommendations for schools.

POLICY DETAILS

Clothing:

Uniform Shop Purchased Items

- Navy or sky blue short sleeved polo with school logo
- Navy or sky blue long sleeved polo with school logo
- Blue check patterned summer dress
- Navy skorts (to be worn with blue tights in winter)
- Navy windcheater with zip with school logo
- Navy tartan pinafore
- Senior jumpers, polo shirts and hats (available for order and purchase for Year 6 students)
- Plain navy blue beanie with school logo
- Legionnaire, broad brimmed or bucket hat which shades the face, ears and neck (with school logo) to be worn in Terms 1, 3 and 4 and when the UV is 3 or above
- SAPSASA jumpers may be worn for up to one week after the event

Store Purchased Items

- Navy or sky blue short sleeved polo without school logo
- Navy or sky blue long sleeved polo without school logo
- Navy shorts (thigh length minimum)
- Navy trackpants
- Navy or sky blue jacket/raincoat/parker
- Close fitting wraparound sunglasses are allowed to be worn at recess or lunch (must meet Australian standards)
- Socks: navy blue, black or white

Additional Information:

- Items that are labelled 'Uniform Shop' are available from the school and are on display in the Uniform Shop located in the Ascot Room (building facing Ascot Avenue) and usually take two weeks to arrive from the order date. Please check the school website, newsletter or contact the school direct for the Uniform Coordinator's contact details, shop open times and order forms.
- Items labelled 'Store' can be purchased at other clothing outlets such as Target, Kmart, etc.
- In accordance with our Sun Smart Policy, t-shirts are not permitted. Polo shirts with collars must be worn at school.
- All Sports Day clothing must follow the Sun Smart Policy which includes polo shirts (with collars) and legionnaire or bucket hats - no t-shirts.
- Students without a hat will have to play under the Multi-Purpose Room's verandah or the Southern netball court during recess and lunch.
- School beanies can be worn whilst outside during Terms 2 and 3, but not in the classroom.
- Scarves can be worn to and from school only. For safety precautions, scarves will not be permitted to be worn during the school day.
- Students representing the school at school sporting competitions are required to wear the appropriate uniform, footwear, sun protection and protective gear as required by that sport. A white 'Vale Park' polo shirt is to be worn at sports events and can be purchased from the Uniform Shop. *Please note: white polo tops are not to be worn to school as part of the school uniform.*
- Children attending swimming classes within school hours will be required to wear bathers that include a rashie vest or t-shirt (no shoulders exposed) and a legionnaire, broad brimmed or bucket hat before and after class.

Footwear:

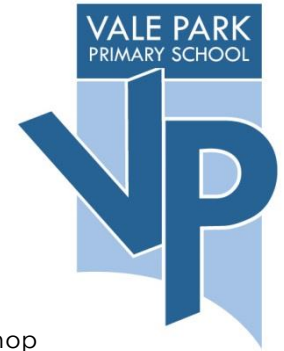
- Enclosed footwear must be worn during Physical Education and SAKG Kitchen and Garden lessons for the children's safety
- Sneakers
- Black school shoes
- Navy or brown Roman sandals in summer (excluding during SAKG and P.E lessons)
- Thongs, Crocs, slip on sandals, slippers, Ugg boots, platforms, shoes with glitter, lights or wheels and fashion shoes are not permitted to be worn
- Appropriate footwear to be worn at all times (unless in case of an emergency)

Hair and Make-up:

- Long hair should be tied back to prevent injury and reduce the risk of head lice spreading
- Hair to be worn off the face for clear line of sight
- Navy or sky blue plain headbands (no cat ears, bobbles, etc.), ribbons and hair accessories
- Lip balm and clear moisturiser

Jewellery:

- Earrings - small studs or sleepers (ears only)
- Wristwatches
- Necklaces - Religious only
- Bracelets - Medical bracelets only (no loom bands or bracelets)



- Bangles, chains, and beads are not permitted as they pose a safety risk

School Bag:

- Navy blue backpacks with the school logo on them may be purchased from the Uniform Shop
- Students are permitted to use their own bag.

Not Appropriate:

- Sleeveless tops, string tops, crop tops
- Brand name clothing
- Thongs, platform shoes
- Make-up
- Nail polish
- Temporary tattoos
- Baseball or basketball hats
- Jeans
- Short length bike shorts worn as shorts

Non-Compliance

A written explanation is expected from parents/caregivers if students are not in dress code. Students who are not in dress code will first receive a verbal reminder. If this continues, it is the responsibility of the class teacher to raise this with parents/caregivers. Frequent non-compliance with the uniform policy will be referred to a member of the school Leadership Team.

NON-UNIFORM DAYS

Casual Days

Casual Days allow students to be out of school uniform/dress code. **On Casual Days, students are not permitted to wear short shorts, short skirts or clothing with offensive worded logos.**

T-shirt Days

These special days enable the students to wear a certain t-shirt specified e.g. orange on Harmony Day. The rest of the school uniform/dress code applies.

Sports Day

On Sports Day, students **must** wear a Sun Smart appropriate polo shirt and a legionnaire or bucket hats must be worn throughout the day. Other clothing items permitted include:

- Hair accessories in their team's colours (including wigs)
- Sports skirts (including tutus)
- Coloured hair spray (if it is to be used) must be applied at home before coming to school
- Coloured zinc
- Sunglasses



DRESS CODE POLICY AGREEMENT SLIP 2024

Please sign and return to Class Teachers

I have read the Vale Park Primary School Dress Code Policy and understand its requirements and compliance details.

Child's Name: _____ Room No: _____

Child's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Signed _____