

## Student Dress Code Policy

### PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Roxburgh Park Primary'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 Roxburgh Park 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 Roxburgh Park Primary'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.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

### SCOPE

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

### UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

Roxburgh Park Primary's compulsory school uniform items are as follows:

<b>Summer Uniform for Girls and Boys:</b>
Navy school polo shirt (with logo), Navy or Red polo shirt
Navy windcheater or bomber jacket (with logo) or Navy windcheater (no hoods)
Navy blue pants or navy blue shorts
Navy skort
Summer dress
Sun Smart Hat (no caps)
Sunglasses (that meet Sun Smart standards)- highly recommended
<b>Winter Uniform for Girls and Boys:</b>
Navy polo shirts long/short sleeve (with logo), Navy or Red polo shirt
Navy windcheater or bomber jackets (with logo) or Navy windcheater (no hoods)
Plain navy blue pants

<b><u>Sports Uniform</u></b>
Navy shorts
Navy tracksuit pants
Navy skort
Navy polo shirts long/short sleeve (with logo), Navy or Red polo shirt
Navy windcheater or bomber jackets (with logo) or Navy windcheater (no hoods)
Runners

### **General appearance**

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, Roxburgh Park Primary students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name

### **Jewellery and cosmetics**

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, are the only acceptable jewellery. (Smart watches are to be handed into the teacher at the start of the day. Please refer to the [Mobile Phone Policy](#))

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

### **Hair and Sun safety**

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

Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: spikes or Mohawks) are not permitted.

School uniform hats must be worn outside during Term 1 and 4 (date to be set by the school annually) 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. Please refer to the [SunSmart Policy](#)

Hats are not to be worn inside.

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.

Headwear worn for religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background must be plain in colour without patterns or decorations.

### **Footwear**

Shoes should have laces/Velcro/buckled, be low heeled and either black/brown school shoes or running shoes.

Open toed shoes or thongs are not acceptable.

Boots above the ankle or high heeled shoes are not acceptable.

## PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from  
PSW  
2/283 Rex Rd, Campbellfield VIC 3061  
(03) 9768 0337  
<https://www.psw.com.au/>

Roxburgh Park Primary on occasion has some second-hand uniform items for sale. Please enquire at the front office for further information.

### Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Principal or First Aid Officer 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/>

## IMPLEMENTATION

Roxburgh Park Primary will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and Newsletter. 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 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.

Measures taken by Roxburgh Park Primary to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also 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:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- 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.
- Alternative wear approved by the school (school hoodies etc.) is acceptable for Grade 6 students.

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/guardians

- 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

Roxburgh Park Primary 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 Complaint Policy](#).

#### FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Roxburgh Park Primary [SunSmart Policy](#)
- Roxburgh Park Primary [Parent Complaint Policy](#)
- Roxburgh Park Primary [Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

#### REVIEW CYCLE

School Council Approved on:	Signed by School Council President:	Scheduled for review:
23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2020		March 2021

## **APPENDIX A: ROXBURGH PARK PRIMARY UNIFORM ITEMS**

The below uniform items and requirements are:

### **All year round**

The following items may be worn all year round, with either the summer or winter uniform:

#### **Jumper or Bomber Jacket**

Navy polar fleece with school logo

#### **Polo shirts**

Navy long and short sleeved with school logo.

#### **Skorts**

Plain navy skorts without decoration or brand name and in winter can be worn with navy blue tights/stockings.

#### **Socks or tights/stockings**

Navy blue or white socks

Navy blue tights/stockings

#### **Footwear**

Appropriate footwear is to be worn. Shoes should be low heeled, and black or brown school shoes or pull on school boots or runners are permitted.

No thongs or open-toed sandals/shoes are permitted.

#### **Headwear**

Plain Navy blue, red, black or white head bands, hair ribbons, “scrunchies” or headwear worn as part of cultural/religious beliefs. Decorative or patterned headwear not allowed. Elastic Bands used to tie up hair may be worn in any colour.

### **Summer Uniform – to be worn in Terms 1 and 4**

#### **Dresses**

Summer blue, red and white checked dress

#### **Shorts**

Plain navy blue shorts without decoration or brand name

### **Winter Uniform – to be worn in Term 2 and 3**

#### **Pants**

Plain, navy blue track pants without decoration or brand name

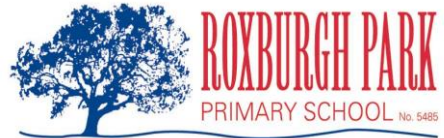
### **Hats – to be worn in Terms 1 and 4**

Plain Navy broadbrim or bucket hat with school logo.

### **Sports uniform**

Navy polo top with navy blue shorts/skirt/skort.

There are specific uniform requirements for students participating in specialist sports such as netball, football, basketball, t-ball, and cricket etc. These uniforms are provided by the school for the duration of the sports season.



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**OUT OF UNIFORM**

Dear Parents/Carers

Your child was out of uniform today.

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Please ensure your child is in uniform.

Kind Regards,

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Classroom Teacher