

Uniform and Dress Code Policy



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact Roslyn Primary School - (03) 52 433 538

Purpose

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Roslyn 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 Roslyn Primary School'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 Roslyn 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.

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

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

<u>General Appearance</u>

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

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms must 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.

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.

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.

School uniform hats must be worn outside from September 1st 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/carer or student choice.

Hats are not to be worn inside. This includes beanies.

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.

<u>Footwear</u>

Footwear worn must be school shoes, runners (black, blue or white). No skate shoes or slip-on shoes are permitted.

Purchase of Uniforms

Uniform items can be purchased from Bellarine Uniforms (Noone) 162 Moorabool Street, Geelong Victoria 3220. Telephone: 03 5221 9199 or email: bellarine@noone.com.au

Roslyn Primary School Beanies can be purchased through the School Office throughout the year.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Principal or Assistant Principal 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

Roslyn Primary School will ensure that this student Uniform and Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website, the Compass platform, and through the Parents and Carers Facebook Page. 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 Uniform and Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note will be provided to the student and parents/carers 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.

Exemptions to the Uniform and 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 Uniform and 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.

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.

If a student is intentionally out of correct uniform in a once-off situation, a note must be provided by the parent/carer explaining this on the day the student is out of uniform.

Concerns about this Student Uniform and Dress Code

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

Further information and resources

- Roslyn Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- Roslyn Primary School Parent Complaint Policy
- Roslyn Primary School 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

This policy was last updated in October 2022 <mark>and is scheduled for review in October 2025.</mark> This policy does require School Council approval.

Appendix A:

Roslyn Primary School General Uniform Guidelines:

Our uniform consists of the following acceptable items;

- Red Polo Shirt short sleeve with printed school logo
- Red Polo Shirt long sleeve with printed school logo
- Navy Polo Shirt short sleeves with printed school logo (Year Six students only)
- Red Rugby Top with printed school logo
- Striped Rugby Top with embroidered school logo (Year Five and Six Students only)
- Soft Shell Jacket with school logo
- Navy Track Pants
- Summer Dress red gingham A line style
- Leggings under uniform
- Navy Skort
- Navy, Red and White Check Kilt
- School Design Beanie with embroidered school logo
- Navy Hat with printed school logo
- Navy or White socks
- Navy Shorts

Note: Leggings and long-sleeved tops are not to be worn under school dresses. Blue tights can be worn under school dresses.

The following items are <u>NOT</u> to be worn:

- Jeans
- Black Pants
- Jeggings
- Skate shoes
- Slip-on shoes
- Coloured headbands

Other conditions:

- Stud and sleeper earrings are the only acceptable ear jewellery
- No coloured jewellery is to be worn unless it is a watch band
- Fitness trackers can be worn
- Hair ribbons can be worn in school colours only
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school
- Socks worn must be white or navy blue
- During winter months students are permitted to wear warm jackets and rain coats over their uniform, but these must not be worn during class time