



Exford Primary School

School Uniform Policy (2016)

RATIONALE:

School Council has the authority to create and implement a dress code for students. This power arises from an order made by The Governor - in - Council. It is the policy of Exford Primary School Council that all students in Prep - 6 shall wear school uniform. The current uniform was introduced following consultation with and acceptance by, the majority of the school community. Uniforms are generally more durable, suitable and often cheaper in comparison to other forms of dress.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of a uniform is to:

1. Encourage a sense of individual and collective pride in students.
2. Ensure that Sun Smart guidelines are properly adhered to.
3. Promote student identification both in and outside of Exford Primary School, thus improving the safety and security of students.
4. Remove competition between students in regard to fashion, trends and status symbols (such as particular brands).

DESCRIPTION:

1. The School Uniform consists of:

Windcheater	Royal blue with <u>white</u> school logo - this can be a standard windcheater or a hooded windcheater
Bomber Jacket	Navy blue with school logo, press-stud front No windcheater jackets of other colours or designs to be worn
Bomber Jacket	Year 6 Commemorative Jacket (Optional): Navy blue, gold trim with school with logo, press-stud front and specialised artwork on back
Girls' Bootleg Pants	Navy blue (school Uniform shop ones only)
Trackpants	Navy blue with/without reinforced knees (not denim) and with/without elastic ankle bands (No identifying marks, logos or stripes)
Long pants	Plain navy gaberdine / serge / cotton trousers, including cargo pants (No identifying marks, logos or stripes)
Shorts	Navy blue shorts (No identifying marks, logos or stripes)
Skorts	Skorts (school Uniform Shop ones only)
Polo-shirts	Sky blue polo shirt with navy school logo (short or long-sleeved) Navy blue polo shirt with white school logo (short or long-sleeved)
T-shirt	Sky blue crew neck T-shirt with <u>navy</u> school logo
Shirt	Cotton short or long-sleeved shirt in pale blue (iron on school logo available) (No identifying marks, logos or stripes)
Skivvies	Pale / navy blue skivvy can be worn (but not under short sleeved polo / cotton shirt)
Summer Dress	Blue/white with gold fleck; as depicted in our Uniform shop and can be worn with white or navy socks /stockings. It is recommended that bike shorts be worn underneath the school dress to protect girls' privacy (when using play-equipment).
Pinafore/Tunic	Navy Blue
Winter Skirt	Navy blue serge winter skirt (office uniform shop only)
Hat	Royal blue slouch hat with school logo - only available from the school uniform shop. Hats are to be worn from September to April (as per SunSmart Policy 2016)

Additional Winter items	
Navy blue weather jacket	Available from the uniform shop with the EPS logo screen-printed on the left side (not a compulsory item - any winter coat can be worn).
Beanie & Scarf	Royal / navy blue beanies and royal blue scarves available from the Uniform Shop
Shoes	Due to Health and Safety reasons footwear must be acceptable for all school activities - the foot is enclosed and supported. Runners or leather school shoes or ankle-length, elasticised boots are considered to be safe and supportive shoes for school. (N.B. Thongs, ballet flats, calf-length boots, 'skater' shoes, slip-ons and open-toed sandals are NOT acceptable). Gumboots are a useful alternative in wet weather and slippers may be worn in the classroom.
Socks	Plain navy or white socks - ankle or knee length

2. Summer dresses are to be worn with socks (or plain navy stockings in the cooler months) and are not to be worn with long pants or leggings. Girls are encouraged to wear shorts or bike pants under their dresses but they must not protrude beyond the hem of the summer dress.
3. Long sleeved skivvies or t-shirts (of any colour) are not to be worn under the short sleeved polo or cotton shirt. The long sleeved polo shirt can be worn in cooler weather.
4. Jewellery: The school requests that the wearing of jewellery be kept to a minimum for security and health and safety reasons (e.g. studs, sleepers etc). It is advisable that items of value are not brought to school. *The only jewellery that is acceptable is a watch or medical alert bracelet and small studs or sleepers or religious items which can be worn under clothing. Earring sleepers need to be smaller than a five cent piece. No other jewellery, including necklaces, bracelets, other forms of earring or rings are to be worn.*
5. Hair: All hair that is beyond shoulder length is to be tied up. Hair can be worn with plain navy blue headbands and hair clips.
6. No makeup, tattoo-transfers or nail polish is to be worn (except when required at school events e.g. School Concert).
7. Items not purchased from the Exford PS Uniform shop must resemble the items available through the school (e.g. style, fabric and colour) and a flock logo needs to be applied to the items.
8. Exford Primary School students will wear the schools' uniform during school hours when at school, on school excursions and on school photo day. However, school uniform need not be worn on some sports trips, school camps or social activities. On each of these occasions students will be notified of the clothing requirements.
9. It is the policy of School Council that the uniform will not discriminate against any student on the basis of sex, race, ethnic group, nationality, religious beliefs or disability.
10. In cases where the purchase of uniform items causes genuine hardship, confidential assistance should be available from the school.
11. It is advisable that all items of clothing are clearly labelled.

IMPLEMENTATION


1. It is the task of the Principal and staff to ensure that students comply with the uniform policy.
2. It is expected that parents and students will co-operate with the uniform policy.
3. Uniforms will be worn during school hours when at school, on school excursions and on school photo day.
4. Parents of students who are persistently out of uniform will receive a note from the classroom teacher reminding them of the policy and the need for their child to be in complete school uniform on a daily basis. If such a letter is forwarded 3 times in a term, a letter requesting parents to attend a meeting with the Principal may be forwarded.
5. The School Council may grant an exemption from wearing the school uniform on the following grounds:

- Religious Objection
 - Ethic or Cultural background
 - Disability
 - A specific health condition
 - Financial hardship
6. Parents who wish to seek an exemption for their child from the wearing of the uniform must apply directly in writing to the Principal. The written application shall set out the grounds for the request for exemption. The Principal shall, at the first available meeting of the School Council, present for approval all recommendations for exemption.
7. During September to April (as per SunSmart Policy 2016), all students will wear the school broad-brimmed hat while playing in the school ground or taking part in outdoor events or sporting activities. Students not wearing hats or wearing inappropriate hats will be asked to remain in the covered area of the school.

REVIEW

A review of the school's Uniform Policy should be conducted in conjunction with the 2020 School Self Evaluation.

Appendix 1: Out of Uniform note

	<h3><u>Exford PS - Out of Uniform Note</u></h3>																
<p>Date: _____</p> <p>Dear Parents of _____ (student's name)</p> <p>Today your child was not wearing the correct Exford PS uniform, as outlined in our School Uniform Policy. We appreciate that having clean and correct uniform items can be a challenge in some weather and trust that your child will be correctly attired tomorrow.</p> <p>Out of uniform item:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Non EPS windcheater</td> <td rowspan="2"></td> <td rowspan="2">Non EPS skirt worn (only EPS school dress, skorts or pinafore are part of our uniform)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Non EPS bomber jacket</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Non EPS polo / t-shirt</td> <td></td> <td>Unsuitable footwear</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coloured t-shirt worn under polo shirt</td> <td></td> <td>Tattoo transfer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Non EPS school dress</td> <td></td> <td>Nail polish</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leggings worn with the school dress</td> <td></td> <td>Jewellery</td> </tr> </table>		Non EPS windcheater		Non EPS skirt worn (only EPS school dress, skorts or pinafore are part of our uniform)	Non EPS bomber jacket	Non EPS polo / t-shirt		Unsuitable footwear	Coloured t-shirt worn under polo shirt		Tattoo transfer	Non EPS school dress		Nail polish	Leggings worn with the school dress		Jewellery
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<p>Please feel free to contact me or the Office if you would like to make an appointment to discuss this matter further.</p> <p>_____ Lisa Campo</p> <p><u>Class Teacher</u> <u>Principal</u></p>																	

Exford PS Uniform

Our Uniform can be purchased through the Office on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays between 8:45 - 9:30 am and 3 - 3:45 pm - you can also order by phone or email.

All items purchased elsewhere need an iron-on logo is applied. A reminder, however, that all items purchased elsewhere need to be identical in colour, fabric and style. Here are close up photos of each of our uniform items.

			
<p>Our royal blue school hat must be this size, colour and must have the white logo on the front.</p>	<p>The sky-blue (pictured) or navy-blue polo shirt is available in both short and long sleeves. Long sleeved tops <u>cannot</u> be worn under the short sleeved polos.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Polo shirts purchased elsewhere need a <u>navy blue</u> logo.</p>		
<p>There is also a plain sky-blue round neck short-sleeved t-shirt available to order. T- shirts purchased elsewhere need a <u>navy blue</u> logo.</p>	<p>The navy-blue polo shirt is available in both short and long sleeves. Long sleeved tops <u>cannot</u> be worn under the short sleeved polos.</p> <p>Polo shirts purchased elsewhere need a white? / <u>navy blue?</u> logo.</p>		
			
<p>The royal blue windcheater has a white logo.</p>	<p>The royal blue hooded windcheater has a white logo.</p>	<p>The navy blue bomber jacket has a white logo.</p>	
			
<p>Our school dress and navy blue pinafore - navy or white coloured stockings can be worn with the school dress or the pinafore, but leggings <u>cannot</u> be worn.</p>		<p>The navy blue track pants is also available in straight leg by order.</p> <p>The navy blue boot-leg pants for girls.</p>	
<p>Shorts, cargo shorts / pants can also be worn but must be plain navy, without any decals, stripes etc.</p> <p>A reminder that only leather school shoes, ankle boots or runners can be worn to school. Sandals, mid-calf / long boots or slip on shoes are not safe or supportive footwear for active kids.</p>			
<p>Winter wear items can be purchased through the Uniform Shop or purchased elsewhere</p>			

A copy of our Uniform Policy is also on our website if you would like more detail. Only items which match our official Uniform can be worn.

Please support our Exford students to wear our Uniform with pride.