



Morphett Vale Primary School

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Morphett Vale Primary School – Uniform Policy

Rationale

The **Morphett Vale Primary School Governing Council**, in consultation with parents and students, requires that all students wear the recognised **Morphett Vale Primary School uniform**, which is outlined in this policy.

The school community, including staff, students, and the Governing Council, supports the wearing of uniforms as it:

- **Fosters a sense of belonging and identity** for students.
 - **Promotes equality** by removing pressure to follow fashion trends.
 - **Minimises costs** for families by eliminating the need for branded or expensive clothing.
 - **Enhances safety** through easy identification of students on school grounds.
 - Ensures **practical and appropriate** attire for school activities.
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Parent and Caregiver Responsibilities

Parents and caregivers are expected to:

- **Support the Uniform Policy** by ensuring that their child wears the correct uniform daily.
 - Notify the school if the uniform cannot be worn temporarily and provide a reason.
 - Familiarise themselves with the **Uniform Policy** when enrolling their child.
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Exemptions

Under **Regulation 86(5)** of the **Education Regulations 2012**, the principal may grant a uniform exemption upon written request from a parent. Grounds for exemption include:

- **Religious, cultural, or ethnic** considerations.
- **Medical reasons** or family illness.

- **New students** needing time to acquire uniforms.
 - **Mobile or itinerant students.**
 - **Financial hardship.**
 - Other grounds as determined by the **principal or Governing Council.**
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Enforcement and Non-Compliance

Morphett Vale Primary School staff will enforce the dress code using **positive reinforcement** and respectful strategies. **Suspension** or exclusion from learning activities will not be used as disciplinary measures for uniform non-compliance.

Approaches for handling non-compliance:

- **Private conversations** with students to encourage compliance.
 - **Communication with parents** via SeeSaw, phone calls, or letters.
 - **Verbal warnings** to students.
 - **Negotiation with families** to resolve ongoing non-compliance.
 - **Establishment of exclusion zones** (e.g., "no hat, no play" policies).
 - **Additional duties** (e.g., litter collection) where appropriate.
 - **Provision of spare uniforms** where necessary, excluding exempted students.
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Uniform Guidelines

Girls – Summer

- Summer dress in navy and white check with red trim (available from the school).
- Short-sleeved polo shirt with the school logo (available from the school).
- ½ zip jumper or long-sleeved rugby jumper (available from the school).
- Navy blue shorts or skorts.
- Navy blue or white socks.
- Flat shoes, standard runners, or strapped sandals.
- Navy blue leggings (optional with skirts).

Girls – Winter

- Navy blue pants or track pants.
- Winter skirt (available from the school).
- Short-sleeved polo shirt with the school logo.
- ½ zip jumper or long-sleeved rugby jumper.
- Navy blue stockings.
- Flat shoes or standard runners.

Boys – Summer

- Navy blue shorts, rugby shorts, or cargo pants.
- Short-sleeved polo shirt with the school logo.
- Strapped sandals, shoes, or standard runners.

Boys – Winter

- Navy blue cargo pants or track pants.
- Short-sleeved polo shirt with the school logo.
- ½ zip jumper or long-sleeved rugby jumper.
- Flat shoes or standard runners.

Layered Clothing and Headwear

- **Layered clothing** (e.g., T-shirts or bike pants) must be in **school colours**.
 - Jackets, scarves, and gloves should be navy blue or in school colours.
 - **Hats:** In accordance with the **Sun Smart and Extreme Weather Policy**, legionnaire, broad-brimmed, or surf hats are required during **all terms**
 - **Hair:** Shoulder-length hair must be tied back. Hair accessories (e.g., ribbons, clips) should match the school colours.
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Senior Student Uniform Options

Graduating students may order:

- **Senior student polo tops.**
 - **Senior student windcheaters** (available before the end of Term 1).
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Other Items

Additional items available through the school uniform shop include:

- Beanies
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Non-Acceptable Items

The following items are not permitted under the school uniform policy:

- **Hats** other than the approved school hats.
- **Jeans or denim** clothing.
- Shorts or pants with **inappropriate designs** (e.g., low-riding pants, short shorts).
- **Thongs, skate shoes, or fluorescent shoes.**
- **Tank tops, midriff tops, or singlets.**
- **Clothing with large logos** or patterns.
- **Make-up, fake nails, or coloured nail polish.**
- **Jewellery** (except for watches, medi-alerts, or plain ear studs/sleepers).
- **Hair extensions, beads, or dyed colours** (e.g., purple, blue, bright red).

Students without hats must remain in designated shaded areas during outdoor activities in line with the **Sun Smart Policy**.

Policy Review

This Uniform Policy will be reviewed by **December 2027** to ensure it aligns with best practices and current school needs.

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This policy reflects Morphett Vale Primary School's commitment to creating a **safe, inclusive, and respectful** learning environment for all students.