Uniform Policy

Purpose
Mornington Primary School has determined that the wearing of school uniform will be compulsory for the following reasons:

- A school uniform
- Develops a sense of unity
- Fosters a sense of belonging to the school
- Establishes the identity of the school within the wider community
- Creates a positive image for the child and the school
- Provides practical clothing for school activities
- Eliminates peer pressure caused by competition with styles of clothing
- Provides a range of choices for all seasons

Guidelines
- The uniform colours are ‘ink’ blue and white. ‘Ink’ is a darker shade of blue than ‘navy’. The school logo is to be a feature of the uniform, on all upper garments.
- Undergarments must be in either white or ‘ink’ blue and must not be below, or falling beneath the natural hemline of the item.
- The majority of the uniform is designed to be worn by both girls and boys and incorporates design suggestions from the students.
- There is no summer or winter uniform; students are to be encouraged to wear uniform items in which they feel most comfortable and appropriate to the weather conditions.
- The uniform is designed with due regard to the health and safety of the students.
- All students are expected to wear the school uniform at all times that is clean, neat and in good condition.

Dress Code and Grooming Expectations:
- All students are expected to wear the MPS school uniform at all times
- All students are expected to wear the designated MPS Sunsmart hat in terms 1 and 4.
- Natural hair colour only - that is age appropriate.
- Peaked caps are not permitted.
- Cosmetics are not permitted.
- Students not wearing school uniform will be in breach of the Uniform Policy and may result in appropriate consequences as determined by the Principal.
Students will not be permitted to represent the school, leave the school on excursions, and participate in inter-school sports or other special activities unless wearing the correct school uniform.

It is expected that all students will wear either the school rain resistant jacket when on excursions/inter-school sports and in school grounds.

**Health and Safety aspects of School Uniform:**

- Students with pierced ears may wear one or other of the simplest of studs or small sleepers – one in each ear only.
- Body tattooing, other body piercing and loose jewellery is not permitted.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Hats must be the school-approved sunsmart hat.

**Where to obtain the uniform:**
The school supplier, PSW, operates the following venues:

- A Uniform Shop (outlet) in the school’s administrative building near the office will be open at various times throughout the week. Please check with the school office for current times.
- A store located at 21 Playne Street, Frankston (ph. 9768 0346)

**Components of the school uniform - Standard Uniform Colour - ink:**

**Tops:** (All tops with school logo)
- Short sleeve polo top in micro mesh – ink with white stripe collar
- Long sleeve polo top in micro mesh – ink with white stripe collar
- Zip jacket – ink with white stripe cuffs
- Coat: Soft shell, water resistant in ink

**Senior Students:** (‘MPS Senior Team’ on back and school logo on front)
- Rugby top
- Short sleeve polo top in micro mesh – ink with white stripe collar
- Long sleeve polo top in micro mesh – ink with white stripe collar
- Sports top – (‘MPS Sport’ on back) To be worn on Friday sports and sports days only

**Pants:**
- Bootleg pants - ink
- Zip cuff track pants – ink
- Straight leg track pants – ink
- Gabardine zip pocket shorts – ink
- Micromesh sports shorts – ink
- Cargo shorts – ink
- Bike shorts (for undergarment only) – ink

**Dress / Skirts:**
- Pleated skirt – short
- Pleated skirt – longer for winter
- Summer Dress as per design (supplied with scrunchie)
**Sun Smart Hat:** Slouch micro fibre – ink & school logo

All students are expected to wear Mornington Primary School uniform Sunsmart hats at all times when outside during terms 1 and 4. The use of broad-spectrum water resistant sunscreen SPF30+ (or higher) brought from home, to be applied before school and prior to the lunch break is also encouraged.

Students without a hat will be unable to participate in PE and Sports and will need to spend recess and lunch breaks playing under the pavilion near the hall.

**Accessories:**
- Socks – ink/navy or white plain or with stripe (white on blue / blue on white)
- Hair accessories – ink/navy and/or white
- Scarf – ink with school logo
- Beanie – ink with school logo
- Tights – ink

**School bag:** with school logo

**Book bag:** with school logo

**Library Bag:** draw string

**Art Smock:** with name tag (old shirt will suffice for this purpose)

**Footwear:** School shoes or runners only. Shoe colours must be predominantly navy, white, black or grey, including laces.

**Special Event Tops**
These items to be worn only in the year that the event takes place eg. RACV Energy Breakthrough.

**Evaluation**

This policy will be reviewed triennially.

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