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# The Hewett Primary School Community is proud of the school uniform and strongly supports wearing it. All students at Hewett Primary School are expected to wear the school uniform.

## **Belief Statement**

We believe that wearing of a school uniform

- Promotes pride in our school
- Enhances our public image
- Reduces peer pressure
- Promotes opportunity for equal participation
- Encourages appropriate clothing for school activities

## Aim

All students attending Hewett Primary School will wear clothing consistent with the Dress Code.

- To identify students as members of the Hewett Primary School community and increase their sense of belonging.
- To contribute to a positive impact on school behaviour.
- To be practical, serviceable, readily available, comfortable, reasonably priced and acceptable to the majority.
- To provide some sufficient options to suit finance circumstances, play, learning in the full range of weather conditions.

## Expectations

All students are expected to wear

- Blue (with red inserts) Polo Shirts with school logo
- Blue/Red Jacket with school logo
- Navy pants/skorts/shorts (no denim, skirts and shorts to be an appropriate length that meet the Sun Protection Policy)
- The school has a 'No hat, play in the shade' policy. When hats are in an unacceptable condition (graffitied, torn, bent) this is to be replaced at a cost to the student/family
- Hewett Primary School has a Sun Protection Policy therefore clothing should be in accordance with the policy (i.e. no tank tops, singlets or halter neck tops). School hats are to be worn in Terms 1 4.
- Footwear should be closed in shoes, or sandals with a back. Footwear should be appropriate for school activities (no heels)

## Jewellery and Make Up

- Wrist watches, medic alerts, stud and sleeper earrings are acceptable.
- Make-up and nail polish are not encouraged.
- Other jewellery e.g. rings; bracelets, necklaces are not to be worn for safety reasons.

## Implementation

- New students will be given time to meet dress code expectations.
- Staff support and promote wearing of uniforms by positive reinforcement, assemblies, reminders, curriculum inclusion
- Governing Council actively support and promote the wearing of school uniform
- Adults are encouraged to model attire which meets Sun Smart & WHS guidelines.
- Uniforms are available from the uniform shop, with a school order being made each term.
- By giving our Year 6's an identity through organising Year 6 Polo Shirts and Jacket or Jumpers (no hoodies).
- By providing dress Code items (short term) when necessary e.g. Excursions.
- By School Leaders and/or staff speaking to students who are not complying with the dress code. Asking students why and seeking a commitment to comply by some specified time
- By School Leaders or a staff member contacting parents and seeking a commitment to rectify the problem
- By providing a second- hand dress code service and assisting parents to obtain second-hand dress code items cheaply
- By providing a range of payment methods for uniform purchase

## Exemptions

The Department for Education has made provision for exemptions from wearing the uniform. Grounds on which parents/caregivers may seek exemption are

- religious/cultural/ethical
- genuine medical/sickness reasons
- financial hardship

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