



UNIFORM POLICY

RATIONALE

School Council has the authority to develop and implement a dress code for Hallam Primary School students as outlined in legislation relating to dress codes.

AIMS

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with, Hallam PS.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of Hallam PS in the community.

IMPLEMENTATION

After consultation with the school community, student focus groups and the Student Leadership Team, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe:

- Promotes students' sense of identity with, and pride in, the school
- Allows all students to feel equal
- Enhances individual student safety and group security
- Ensures that students' appearance reflects the expectations of their community
- Prevents bullying and reduces competition between students on the basis of clothing
- Strengthens the spirit of community within the school
- Enhances the profile, image or identity of the school and its students within the wider community
- Prepares students for the expectations of workplaces
- Encourages students to present themselves appropriately for a particular role and develop pride in their appearance.

The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions:

- Bottle green shorts, PSW skirts. trousers/track pants, windcheater/jacket (no hoods) and gold or bottle green polo. School dress (PSW) or tartan school pinafore/skirt (PSW). Year 6 uniform optional.
- Shoes – black lace up/Velcro/T-bars or dark coloured runners or sneakers. White runners are acceptable. Fluoro colours, glitter, flashing lights or bright colours on shoes are not permitted.
- Headbands, scrunchies and ribbons are to be white, yellow or bottle green. Tights/leggings are to be bottle green or black. Socks are to be white/plain colours.
- A watch and one pair of plain stud earrings or sleepers worn in the ears are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colours (e.g: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (e.g: spikes, shaved shapes or Mohawks) are not permitted.
- Nail polish and cosmetics are not to be worn at school.
- Bottle green, broad-brimmed hats, consistent with our SunSmart policy, must be worn outside from August 1 to April 30 when the UV rating is climbing. Hats are not to be worn inside. Religious headwear must be in plain bottle green, yellow, white, or black with no glittery sequins etc.

- Schools will uphold Human Rights, Equal Opportunity and Anti-Discrimination legislation when determining the Dress Code.
- Admin staff will co-ordinate the operation of a second hand uniform shop for good quality second hand uniforms.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Engagement Policy. Uniform infringements will be given to students not wearing the approved uniform.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the School Council for consideration.
- School uniform provider
PSW HAMPTON PARK
UNIT 2
10-12 STH LINK
DANDENONG SOUTH VIC 3175 Tel: 8768 7490
- **Uniform without the school logo is permitted** and is available from: K-MART, TARGET, BIG W, BEST & LESS, Myer, Dandenong Market, etc.

REVIEW PERIOD

Approved By	Hallam Primary School Council
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Responsible for Review	Assistant Principal / Principal
Next Review	2026
Reference:	