

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

INTRODUCTION:

The Tallarook Primary School Uniform Policy has been developed to ensure that students are provided with the opportunity to feel a sense of belonging to the school through the provision of a suitable, inexpensive school uniform.

Principles:

Tallarook Primary School believes:

- school uniforms ensure our students are neat ambassadors of the school
- students adopt a sense of pride in appearance when wearing school uniform
- students adopt a sense of belonging to the school when wearing school uniform
- school uniform decreases comparison of popular versus unpopular clothes

Purpose:

- To provide a range of clothing that makes choices less complicated for parents
- To provide a range of clothing, through Parent's Club, that is serviceable and inexpensive
- To encourage individuality through other means, eg. sport, the arts, etc.

Guidelines:

The Tallarook Primary School Uniform

Girls Summer Uniform:	Blue and white check dress or blue skorts, blue & yellow basketball shorts. Royal blue or gold polo shirt. Royal blue school windcheater or polar fleece jacket Wide brimmed royal blue school hat or legionnaire cap
Girls Winter Uniform:	Grey or royal blue tunic. Royal blue track pants. Royal blue or gold skivvy or polo shirt. Royal blue school windcheater or polar fleece jacket. Royal or navy blue beanie.
Boys Summer Uniform:	Grey or royal blue shorts or blue & yellow basketball shorts or pants. Royal blue or gold polo shirt. Royal blue school windcheater or polar fleece jacket. Wide brimmed royal blue school hat or legionnaire cap
Boys Winter Uniform:	School jackets, royal blue or gold skivvy or polo shirt, royal blue school windcheater, royal blue track pants, grey trousers or rugby knit pants Royal blue winter school beanie.
Grade 6 Uniform	In addition to items mentioned above, Grade 6 students also have access to unique Grade 6 shirt, jumper and choice of black basketball shorts.

1. Wearing of School Uniform is compulsory; exemptions can be given on the grounds of religious beliefs, special needs and welfare.
2. Parents are advised of the Tallarook Primary School Uniform Policy via the School Newsletter, Information Booklet and School Website.
3. Parents will be given a copy of the uniform policy at the beginning of each year.
4. Most uniform items are available from the office at a time convenient to Uniform Sales Manager – day and time advertised in the newsletter.
5. Hats are to be worn outside from 1st September to 30th April, in line with the Sun Smart Policy. If sunglasses are to be worn the only accepted uniform item will be the blue Balino Sunglasses purchased from the school. If beanies are worn in terms two and three, they must be royal or navy blue in colour.
6. White, black, navy or grey socks, tights or leggings to be worn with shorts/skorts/dresses
7. Appropriate footwear encourages participation in active playground pursuits. Thongs and loose sandals are considered inappropriate for children at school. Students are strongly discouraged from wearing open toed shoes to school for safety reasons.
8. Watches, stud and sleeper earrings are the only acceptable jewellery to be worn at school. Nail polish is also not acceptable. Children with jewellery or nail polish will be sent to the school office for removal.
9. “Out of Uniform” days are held from time to time during the year.
10. Clothing purchased from school will be labelled by office staff, to assist in the identification of owners and lessen “Lost Property”.
11. Lost property, if not claimed by the end of each term, will become Parents’ Club property. This property will be washed and offered for sale in the second hand uniforms stalls held throughout the year.

The school’s response to being out of uniform:

1. Students not in School Uniform will not be permitted to represent Tallarook Primary school on any excursion or sporting event.
2. If a child, for any valid reason, is not in school uniform, we ask parents to send a note to explain the situation. We can help out in several ways:
3. We can lend uniform items to children for a day or so if they have an item missing.
4. We can provide uniform items to students and let parents pay them off throughout the year to make it affordable.
5. We can donate unclaimed lost property items to families.

The matter will be taken up with the parents, by the Principal, if the student is continually out of uniform.