Rationale:

The school community at Renmark Primary School believes that a school dress code promotes a sense of pride and belonging in our school. The uniform represents a commitment to the school values – Kindness, Respect, Responsibility and Learning, that underpin the teaching and learning at Renmark Primary School.

Our school is proud of our school uniform and all students are expected to be in correct uniform at all times whilst at school or representing our school.

The school dress code ensures we meet health and safety requirements, especially when students are on school excursions, as they are more easily identified and enhance our public image.

Wearing school colours reduces the level of peer pressure on parents to wear expensive, fashionable and inappropriate clothing.

The Governing Council has endorsed this School Dress Code Policy.

General Guidelines:

Uniforms with the school logo can be purchased from Tri State Graphics and Yates Menswear. The school has a selection of new and second-hand items in school colours for purchasing. Navy blue shorts and pants can be purchased at local retail outlets.

All clothing worn at school needs to be neat, practical and safe. All items of clothing should be labelled clearly with the student's name so that owners of lost items can be identified. Students in their final year of primary school design their own jacket or commemorative top (with teachers' involvement). Shorts, skirts and dresses must be an appropriate length for engaging in all school activities.

School Colours:

Our school colours are navy blue and white.

School uniform items:

Tops: Navy blue and white polo t-shirt

Navy polo t-shirt

Navy blue windcheater, polar fleece jumper or polar fleece jacket

Please note: It is preferred that school tops and jumpers are embroidered with the school logo

Jumpers are not to be worn under school tops. Any long sleeve top or skivvy worn under a school t-shirt

must be in the school colours; navy or white

Bottoms: Navy blue shorts, skorts or skirts

Navy blue tracksuit pants, pants (not jeans or jeggings)

Dresses: Navy blue and white check school dress

Footwear: Suitable, sturdy footwear. Sneakers, elastic sided boots or sandals that support, cover and protect the

foot

Hats: Navy blue bucket or wide brimmed hat

Hats are compulsory all year round at school for outside activities and play

Jewellery: Small sleepers or stud earrings in the ears are the only acceptable piercings

Hair: Hair should be tied back or secured off the face

Hair accessories should be in the school colours of navy and white

The following is not acceptable:

Clothing with slogans, messages

- Clothing with prominent logos/fashion labels
- Singlets and midriffs (singlets can be worn under school tops)
- Baseball caps/ visor style sun protection
- Ripped and/or unclean clothing
- Thongs, slides, or sandals with no back strap
- High heels
- Make up, including nail polish and false nails, are not considered appropriate for primary aged children

Monitoring:

The School Dress Code Policy will be publicised regularly in the newsletter and on ClassDojo. Expectations of wearing the school uniform will be shared with students as part of our Behaviour Expectation Matrix and Positive Behaviour Learning focus. If students are unable to comply with the uniform policy for any reason, parents/caregivers are asked to contact the school and arrange to discuss the matter further with the School Principal.

Students who are not in school uniform at school will be supported to follow the policy by:

- A written reminder of appropriate school uniform sent home with the student
- A phone call to parents to remind them of uniform expectations, and a change of uniform for the student at school for the day
- A phone call to ask parents to bring the correct uniform in to school for the child to change in to.

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