

Blue Mountains Steiner School

Policies and Procedures



Clothing Policy 2023

Policy

Our school has a dress code which respects the individuality of each student, meets sun safety recommendations and the need for practicality regarding movement and outdoor activities, and reflects our school's philosophy.

Dress Code:

Colour:

- * Plain, brightly coloured clothes ideally of natural materials to be worn where possible with no writing, logos or images of any kind. Colourful, durable and affordable BMSS t-shirts and jackets are available in the office.
- * Students in Classes 5 and 6 may wear one item of black clothing (in the earlier grades we ask that students wear lighter, brighter colours in keeping with the cheerful mood of the early and middle childhood years).

Sun-Safety Wear:

- * Shirts, T-shirts, dresses need to cover the shoulders (singlets and tank tops are not permitted).
- * Shirts and T-shirts need to be long enough to reach the lower garments (no midriff/ short tops).
- * The length of shorts or skirts must be closer to the knee than the hip (no short shorts/ skirts).
- * Students are to wear a rashie shirt (short or long sleeved) as part of their swimming apparel for all water activities.

Hats:

- * Hats must be sun-safe (have a brim, caps are to be legionnaire-style), and are to be worn for all outside play and outside class activities (no hat, no play) even through winter. Hats should be taken home for cleaning each term break.

Shoes:

- Shoes should be fully enclosed (suitable for bush and outdoor activities).
- Gumboots may be brought for use at times during rainy days but will not be suitable all day for activities such as climbing monkey bars and sport.

Other:

- * No makeup of any kind.
- * Students are to be dressed neatly (without holes or tears).
- * Please check the weather and pack alternatives in preparation for a change of temperature during the day.

Please label every item of your child's clothing – it is surprising how often a child does not recognise an item such as their beautiful warm jacket!

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Steps taken to maintain this Policy will be:

- 1) A student will be reminded of the dress code and asked to make a change from the next day forward.
- 2) If the student wears inappropriate clothing again, the student will be asked if they have a change of clothes, and if they do not;
 - Shirts with advertising can be turned inside out.
 - Singlets or midriff tops may need to have a jumper or longer top put over the top of the other clothes.
- 3) On the third occasion, parents/ caregivers will be contacted to ask that they help the student to support the school's Dress Code.
- 4) Continued instances will result in parents/ caregivers being phoned and requested to bring a change of suitable clothing to school.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Other policies that may be relevant:

- Sun Protection Policy and Procedures
- Clothing Policy: Staff