



LUCKNOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Student Dress Code Policy



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand this policy, please contact
lucknow.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Purpose

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Lucknow Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Lucknow Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Lucknow Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

Scope

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

Uniform and Appearance

The full list of Example School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms should be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden

- Small studs or sleepers in ear lobes, I.D tags, medical tags and watches are the only acceptable jewellery
- No form of makeup, fake nails or nail polish are to be worn to school
- No visible facial piercings.

Health and safety

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of lice and for student safety with appropriate hair accessories.

School uniform hats must be worn outside from beginning of September to 30 April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice.

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities.

Purchase of Uniform

Uniform items can be purchased from Nick's Bairnsdale <https://nicksbairnsdale.com.au/lucknow-ps/>

Second hand uniform is also available to purchase from the school office throughout the year.

The School Council has considered affordability in the development of this dress code. However, if you are facing difficulty meeting uniform costs the [Help with school costs and fees](#) page provides advice on support offered by the Victorian Government.

Please contact the principal to discuss support that we may be able to provide.

Implementation

Lucknow Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and school newsletter. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note will be provided to the student and parents by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Exemptions to Student Dress Code

We acknowledge that there might be instances where the enforcement of this dress code could impact students differently.

Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

Concerns about this Student Dress Code

Lucknow Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy*, available on our website.

Communication

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Discussed in student forums
- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

Further Information and Resources

- Lucknow Primary School Sunsmart Policy
- Lucknow Primary School Parent Complaint Policy
- Lucknow Primary School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training [Student Dress Code](#)
- Department of Education and Training [Student Engagement policies and guidelines](#).

Policy Review and Approval

Policy last reviewed	Feb 2025
Consultation	Principal, Wellbeing Leader and School Council
Approved by	School Council
Next scheduled review date	Feb 2028

Appendix A: Lucknow Primary School UNIFORM ITEMS

All year round

The following items may be worn all year round:

Jacket or Jumper

Navy polar fleece with school logo
Navy fleecy windcheater or hoodie with school logo
Navy Soft Shell Jacket with school logo

Polo shirts

Navy or Gold long or short sleeved with school logo

Dress

Blue and white check dress (in Winter can be worn with navy blue tights/stockings/leggings).

Bottoms

Plain, navy blue track pants, leggings or pants
Plain navy skorts (in Winter can be worn with navy blue tights/stockings/leggings).
Plain, navy blue shorts (mid thigh length)

Socks or tights/stockings

Navy blue or white socks
Navy blue tights/stockings

Footwear

Appropriate footwear is to be worn. Runners, black or brown school shoes or pull on school boots are permitted. No thongs or open-toed sandals are permitted.

Winter Clothing (Optional Items)

Navy Blue coat
Navy blue “beanie” in winter –school logo
Navy blue or yellow scarf

Headwear

Navy blue, gold or white head bands, hair ribbons, “scrunchies” or headwear worn as part of cultural/religious beliefs. Elastic Bands used to tie up hair may be worn in any colour.

Hats – to be worn from mid-August to 30 April

Navy broadbrim hat with logo