

Dress Code

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The Surrey Downs R-7 School Governing Council, in consultation with parents and students, have developed a school dress code which all students are expected to follow. This involves the wearing of school uniform or clothing in the school's colours (yellow and navy) and the wearing of hats in line with the recommendations of the Cancer Council (Terms 1,3,4). The dress code at Surrey Downs R-7 School is designed to give students a sense of belonging, unity and pride. This enables them to be easily identified as members of our school, both while at the school and also out in the community. The code also minimises competition between students to wear more expensive and fashionable clothing, whilst encouraging equity amongst students. It is designed to be practical in its application to a wide range of physical activities and weather conditions and ensures students observe health, safety and decency standards.

Surrey Downs R-7 School operates a Uniform Shop. Uniform items can also be purchased by completing an order form and leaving it at the office.

ACCEPTABLE

- Tops –Surrey Downs R-7 School polo shirts, windcheaters, jackets, plain navy polos and jumpers.
- Pants/Skirts/Shorts – Plain navy track pants, cargo pants, shorts, skorts, skirts, leggings
- Dresses – Navy/white check school dresses
- Hats – Plain navy legionnaires, broad brimmed or bucket style sun safe hats
- Yellow bucket hats may be worn by students in the special classes and /or by mainstream students who require easy identification during play times
- Hair accessories – Yellow, navy or white decorative hair ties, scrunchies, head bands. Plain hair ties in black, brown or blonde are acceptable and not classed as decorative.
- Footwear - Should be appropriate for students to participate in physical activity. Shoes should have a back in them for support eg sneakers, school shoes, boots or sandals and not have raised heels.
- Winter coats / jackets for outdoor wear in school colours are encouraged. The uniform shop stocks lightweight winter jackets with our school logo

UNACCEPTABLE

- Clothing with brand names, logos, pictures, stripes or designs
- Tops without sleeves
- Denim / jeans (blue or coloured), Jeggings
- Baseball caps
- Clothing that precludes students from undertaking general curriculum activities
- Shoes with high heels, no back strap, thongs or roller shoes
- Short sleeved tops with non-school colour long sleeve top underneath
- Clothing that does not match our designated colours
- Decorative hair accessories that are non-school colours, hair accessories that may interfere with the wearing of a hat or be deemed as inappropriate for school

JEWELLERY

As the excessive wearing of jewellery can become a safety issue, jewellery is limited to the following.

- Sleepers or studs only
- Watch
- No other jewellery unless for medical purposes eg Medic Alert or cultural significance (parent note required)

MAKE UP

- No make up
- Clear or light coloured nail polish may be worn

ACTIONS

- Staff are responsible for reminding students about wearing clothing that meets the Dress Code of Surrey Downs R-7 School
- Leadership team will contact parents at the request of teachers should Dress Code issues remain unresolved.