



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

RATIONALE

The school uniform has been developed in consultation with the School Board and other members of the School Community, including students, their parents, and staff of the school. It plays an important part in establishing a positive community identity and contributes to the creation of an appropriate work ethic. The Yale Primary School Uniform Policy has been developed in direct correlation with the Department of Education's *Dress Codes for Students In Public Schools Policy*, and the *Dress Codes for Students In Public Schools Procedures*.

SCOPE OF POLICY

Students are required to wear the full school uniform during the school day, including to and from school and on school sanctioned tours, excursions and activities. Every student is expected to comply with the student dress standards in the same way that they are expected to comply with the rules relating to classroom behaviour, absences etc.

POLICY STATEMENT

Acceptance of enrolment at Yale Primary School assumes an agreement between the parent/guardian and the enrolling student that the student will dress in accordance with the school's uniform policy.

Students enrolled at Yale Primary School are expected to purchase official uniform items and adhere to the school uniform standards below.

- Student dress must be neat, clean, tidy, and conform to the set school uniform.
- Students are expected to wear the uniform in the intended manner.
- The appropriate footwear for outdoor play and sporting activities must be worn at all times.
- Accessories to the uniform are not acceptable.
- The following are not permitted: false/acrylic/French tipped/long nails/nail polish

All issues relating to the uniform will be directed to the School Administration or designated staff member, who will have the final adjudication.

The principal may provide an exemption on the following grounds:

- The unavailability of an item.
- A matter relating to the student's health.
- A matter relating to the religious beliefs of the student or the student's family.
- A matter relating to the cultural background of the student or the student's family.
- Any other matter which in the principal's opinion is sufficient to exempt the student from complying with the requirement.

The details of the exemption must include:

- Each requirement of the dress code which the student is exempt from complying with.
- The time period for which the exemption has effect.
- The grounds for the exemption.
- Any additional conditions.

SCHOOL UNIFORM GUIDELINES

ADVICE ON UNIFORM

- It is recommended to mark all items of clothing with the student's name.
- Students may wear an undershirt or singlet in cold weather.
- Students may wear plain red polo top or jersey or black jersey.
- Student shorts to be worn at a modest length
- No make-up shall be worn, such as nail polish and facial make-up.
- No jewellery with the exceptions of watches, plain small sleepers and studs in the ears. Any religious emblems on chains must be worn inside the shirt for reasons of safety.
- Year six students leaving the school have a Graduation Polo Shirt that they may wear in the place of the regular Red/White Polo Top with Crest.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SCIENCE

- Any jewellery or accessories that is deemed hazardous to safety such as necklaces and bracelets that hang off the body, should be removed before physical education/sport sessions.
- The following are not permitted: false/acrylic/French tipped/long nails.
- Appropriate footwear, such as sneakers or other lace-up and closed-toed shoes, should be worn during physical education lessons.
- Long hair needs to be tied up or secured to provide unobscured vision during sporting and science activities.

SCHOOL UNIFORM LIST FOR ALL GENDERS

All the items of clothing mentioned on the school uniform list below with the Yale school crest, are available at Lowes, Maddington Central Shopping Centre, corner Attfield Street and Burslem Drive, Maddington and the school uniform catalogue can be viewed on the Lowes website. (<https://www.lowes.com.au/schools-online/yale-primary-school>)

<p>DAYWEAR (compulsory) Black Skort or trackpants Red/white polo top with crest Sneakers or Closed-toed Shoes Black Bucket Hat (reversible with faction colours) <i>Refer to School Hat Policy</i></p> <p>OPTIONAL ITEMS (for day wear at school) Black Microfibre Trackpants Black Bootleg Pants Black Shorts Black Skort with Stretch Shorts Black Blocker Shorts Black Fleece Trackpants Faction Polo Top with School Crest (Green, Blue, Red, or Yellow) Red Fleecy Jacket Black and Red zip outdoor jacket with logo Black Bucket Hat (reversible with faction colours) <i>Refer to School Hat Policy</i></p>	<p>PHYSICAL EDUCATION Red/white polo top with crest Black Shorts or trackpants Black blocker shorts Black fleece trackpants Red V-necked jumper Red Fleecy Jacket Faction Polo Top with School Crest (Green, Blue, Red, or Yellow) Sneakers or Laced-up and Closed-toed Shoes Black Bucket Hat (reversible with faction colours) <i>Refer to School Hat Policy</i></p>
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NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE DRESS CODE

A student who does not comply with our Dress Code is referred to the Associate Principal or Principal by the classroom teacher if reminders and warnings are not effective.

SCHOOL HAT POLICY (ALL YEAR)

RATIONALE

Too much ultraviolet (UV) radiation exposure can cause sunburn, skin and eye damage and skin cancer. UV damage accumulated during childhood and adolescence is strongly associated with an increased risk of skin cancer later in life.

Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world. More than two in three Australians will be diagnosed with skin cancer in their lifetime. As the sun's UV radiation is the major cause of skin cancer, most skin cancers can be prevented by using sun protection measures whenever UV levels are three or higher.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all

- Students and staff
- Activities and events on and off-site including recess/lunch, outdoor lessons, PE and sports classes, interschool sports activities, excursions, incursions, camps and free dress days.
- School environments and environments where school related events occur.
- All staff and students wear broad-brimmed, bucket or legionnaire hats that protect their face, head, neck and ears, whenever they are outside.
- Students without an appropriate hat will be asked to use shaded areas or suitable areas protected from the sun.

All students are provided with a Yale Primary School bucket hat on their first day of school. The hat remains at school, so it is readily available for use for all outside activities and events.

PURPOSE

Given school hours and activities fall within peak UV periods of the day, this comprehensive evidence-informed policy provides guidelines on effective UV protection strategies.

- ensure all students and staff are protected from over-exposure to UV radiation,
- ensure the outdoor environment provides shade for students and staff,
- ensure students are encouraged and supported to develop independent sun protection skills to help them be responsible for their own sun protection,
- support our school's strategies to meet its duty of care and occupational health and safety obligations to minimise harmful UV exposure for students and staff.