



## **DRESS CODE POLICY**

East Torrens PS is a Department for Education (DfE) R-6 school with a defined dress code. This document provides information specific to the school's uniform requirements. The main colours are navy blue and bottle green. Dress code items can be mixed across the seasons to suit the weather.

The school has a defined dress code for the following reasons:

- to strengthen a sense of belonging within our school community
- to ensure our students look well presented and have pride in their appearance
- to ensure our staff are able to easily identify ETPS students on the school grounds, whilst out on excursions and when representing the school in the community

### **EXEMPTIONS:**

The Principal may exempt students from the dress code upon written request from parents/carers on the grounds of:

- religious, cultural or ethnic reasons
- financial hardship
- medical reasons
- any other grounds, as the Governing Council may determine

Many uniform items can be purchased through East Torrens Primary School, Front Office. Some second-hand items may be available, depending on donations, but may only be in certain sizes.

### **HATS:**

- Hats are to be worn for all outside activities throughout the year. Students not wearing a hat when required will need to sit out in an undercover area. 'No hat, defined play area'.
- Each student must purchase a hat by the school on enrolment. If this is lost it becomes the parent/carers responsibility to purchase a new school hat. The school hat is in accordance of recommendations set by the Anti-Cancer Council.

### **UNIFORM ITEMS:**

- navy blue/green windcheater with ¼ zip, with school logo
- navy blue/white windcheater with full zip, with school logo
- specialty designed jackets (for Year 6s only)
- polo shirts, short sleeved, with school logo
- polo shirts, long sleeved, with school logo
- round neck t-shirts with school logo
- navy blue bucket hats
- navy blue or white head scarves

### **ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVES:**

Any additional uniform items must be plain navy blue in colour

- plain track pants and shorts with no stripes or logos
- navy blue skirts are acceptable but must be of a reasonable length

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- plain navy leggings or tights are also acceptable, only when worn with skirts, shorts or skorts
- blue and white check dresses are also acceptable

#### **FOOTWEAR:**

- Covered footwear such as sneakers or enclosed black shoes/sandals are acceptable. Footwear needs to be comfortable allowing students to participate in sport and/or daily fitness/play activities.
- Thongs and high heeled shoes are not permitted for safety reasons. Under no circumstances are students to wear football boots to school. They may bring them only when they are representing the school in sporting activities.
- Socks should be worn with shoes and we encourage plain white, grey or other school colours.

#### ***Please note:***

- **Jeans are not acceptable**
- **Students wearing inappropriate clothing may be provided with spare/emergency clothing and asked to change**

#### **HAIR/HEAD WEAR:**

- Hair should be of natural hair colour and worn in a style practical for school.
- It is recommended that longer hair is tied back, preferably with plain school colour ribbons or elastics.
- Head scarves may be worn for religious and cultural reasons and should be plain colours of navy blue or white.
- Beanies and scarves worn for warmth should also be school colours or need to be taken off, once in class.

#### **JEWELRY:**

For safety reasons, jewellery should be kept to a minimum:

- earrings - only sleepers or small studs
- watches are acceptable
- necklaces can be worn inside clothing and only if necessary or for cultural or religious reasons

#### **CASUAL DAY:**

The last day of each term is designated as 'Casual Days'. On these days, students are able to wear clothes that are not school uniform but need to include clothing that covers underwear appropriately, their shoulders (to be sun safe) and footwear that is safe for school activities. Often 'Casual Days' will be a fundraising event and a gold coin donation is advertised.

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