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## *Flaxmill School Uniform and Dress Policy and Code.*

**Flaxmill School** is committed to ensuring the health and safety of staff, students and visitors at this worksite.

To achieve this we have put into practice the wearing of –

- Appropriate school uniform (preferably with Flaxmill School logo)
- Discouragement of wearing commercial brand names
- Discouragement of wearing jewellery (necklaces, earrings wrist or ankle chains) that has the potential to cause injury
- Discouragement of wearing make up.
- Hats (Broad brimmed, sun smart bucket or legionnaires) worn during terms 1 and 4 and during prolonged outdoor activities in term 2 and 3
- Appropriate sun smart clothing (shirts with sleeves, longer style shorts, dresses and skirts) to ensure skin is not exposed to the sun
- Sunscreen whilst students are outside
- Appropriate and safe footwear

The Principals will enforce the dress code at Flaxmill on behalf of the School Governing Council, and may take appropriate disciplinary action in relation to wilful breach of the dress code.

This action will not include suspension, exclusion or denying the student participation in school activities. It may involve, verbal warnings, discussion with parents, extra duties, and requests to remove items of jewellery and/ or a period of detention.

Where possible positive reinforcement will be used to encourage students to wear appropriate uniform / clothing.

***Parents must notify the school in writing of any short-term request for a child not being in appropriate dress code or requests for longer-term exemption.***

### **Exemptions:**

Students may be exempted from the dress code upon written request to the Principals from the parents.

Grounds on which parent may request exemption are –

- Religious, cultural or ethnic
- Financial hardship, or
- Genuine medical or family sickness

**The overall school colours are navy, sky blue and/ or white.**

Clothing worn to school is not to have any commercial logos on it.

Baseball caps are not to be worn at school.

**Boys:** navy, white, and/or sky blue -

- trousers, jeans (plain only), track, parachute, snap, cargo, corduroy pants or shorts
- jumpers, sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts or jackets
- shirts, polo and/or T-shirts

**Girls:** navy, white and/ or sky blue –

- trousers, jeans (plain only), track, parachute, snap, cargo, corduroy pants or shorts
- jumpers, sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts or jackets
- blouses, polo and/or T-shirts
- skirts, culottes, pinafores or tunic (plain blue), netball skirts, blue and white check dresses

\* *Any shorts/ bikepants etc worn under skirts or dresses must be of school colours*

Legionnaire, sun smart bucket or wide brimmed hats must be worn during terms 1 and 4. It is preferable that these be navy, sky blue or white as well as for prolonged outdoor activities in terms 2 and 3. eg. Sports day, camp.

Most of the items included in the list are available from the Uniform Shop.

**Jewellery / make up.**

- Necklaces (thick or thin) are permitted only if approved for genuine religious grounds.
- Studs should be placed in pierced ears instead of earrings that may be caught up and cause injury to the ear.
- Make up is permitted only if approved for medical purposes.

Students will be asked to remove inappropriate jewellery and makeup.

