

<b>Boroondara Park Primary School Policies</b>	<b>Ratified November 2014</b>
<b>SCHOOL UNIFORM</b>	<b>Review</b>

**Rationale:**

The wearing of school uniform is seen as an expression of community spirit. It engenders a sense of pride in the school and the community as a whole.

**Aims:**

- To develop a sense of belonging
- To foster school spirit and pride that is consistent across BPPS
- To encourage students to find ways of expressing their individuality other than through dress
- To provide functional and safe clothing for the various aspects of school life at reasonable prices.
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**Implementation:**

- The wearing of school uniform is compulsory at Boroondara Park, in accordance with DEECD requirements.
- School Council is responsible for the development of the policy. Along with, the uniform shop coordinator and the Parents and Friends Association (PFA), they will review the policy periodically to ensure compliance with DEECD regulations.
- The policy will be implemented by the School Council, through the Principal, with support from staff.
- School Council and staff will promote the wearing of school uniform in a positive manner.
- The uniform should comprise of a range of options as determined by School Council, the uniform shop coordinator and the PFA.
- Uniform free days may be held at the discretion of the Principal
- The uniform shop coordinator and the PFA shall:
  - Provide opportunities for parents to purchase uniforms from the uniform shop
  - Review the functioning of the uniform shop especially in regard to providing uniforms at reasonable prices.
  - Ensure the uniform shop hours of opening meet community needs
- A second hand uniform stall will enable parents to purchase second-hand uniforms. Donated items will be sold at a stall once a term. No hats will be accepted or sold.
- Children not in school uniform should have a note from their parent/guardian.
- An exemption may be granted by the Principal, upon application by the parent/guardian. In the event of an exemption being granted by the Principal, he/she shall notify staff of all children concerned.
- The children are to be discouraged from wearing jewellery. Watches, plain earrings(no dangly earrings), chains and necklaces (representing spiritual beliefs) are acceptable.
- Staff should actively support this policy.
- Students will be expected not to have extreme hair colour, fancy styles or excessive hair accessories.
- In general, the appearance of the children's uniforms should be neat, tidy (without tears or holes) and the students well-groomed. Make-up and nail polish are not to be worn.
- Boroondara Park Sports Shirts are to be worn for interschool competitive (school representation), sport and team sport ONLY.
- School hats must be worn in Terms 1 and 4 as well as high UV days
- Bike shorts are to be worn under the school dresses only and not as shorts.
- Leggings or other fitted pants are not to be worn instead of straight, reinforced knee or bootleg pants or under school dresses
- School uniform requirements as per attachment A

**Evaluation:**

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.