



Help for non-English speakers.

If you need help to understand this policy, please contact Marnebek School Administration Office 5996 3858

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Marnebek School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Marnebek School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance.
- support Marnebek School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing.
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

SCOPE

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

The full list of Example School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy however the expectations of students are as follows:

- Marnebek School Polo or button up white shirt,
- Jumper or spray jacket with Marnebek logo
- Plain navy or black tracksuit pants or shorts



General appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, Marnebek School students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair.
- Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name.
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden.

Hats and Sun safety

School uniform hats must be worn outside during Term 1 and 4 and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period.

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be closefitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from Beleza (126 High Street, Cranbourne) school, or parents may order it directly online at http://store.beleza.com.au

Support for families experiencing difficulty.

Please contact the Business Leader to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: https://www.ssr.net.au/

IMPLEMENTATION

Marnebek School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website and social media sites. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

We understand in some circumstances parts of uniform may be unavailable to wear on the day, but we please ask that you let the classroom teacher know to avoid any misunderstandings.

The following process will take place to ensure we meet the needs of all our students and department policies.

- 1. If your child is out of uniform the matter will be dealt with by the classroom teacher
- 2. If your child is out of uniform for a 2nd time, contact will be made to the parent/carer from the classroom teacher.



3. If your child is out of uniform for a 3rd time contact will be made and your child will need to be picked up from school.

EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENT DRESS CODE

We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.

Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic, or cultural beliefs or background.
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code.
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request.
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE

Marnebek School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's <u>Parent Complaint</u> <u>Policy</u>,



COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Reminders in our school bulletin or through Compass
- Discussed in student forums
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Marnebek School Parent Complaint Policy
- Marnebek School Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Department of Education and Training <u>Student Dress Code</u>
- Department of Education and Training <u>Student Engagement policies and guidelines</u>.

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	
Approved by	Jennifer Hamilton - Principal
Next scheduled review date	2026



APPENDIX A: MARNEBEK SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS

The following items may be worn all year round, with either the summer or winter uniform:

Daily Uniform:

- Soft Shell Spray Jacket with logo (Navy)
- Super Fleece Crew Neck Windcheater with logo (Navy)
- Knitted Jumper with logo (Navy)
- Long Sleeve Sports Mesh Top with logo (Aqua/Navy)
- Short Sleeve Sports Mesh Top with logo (Aqua/Navy)
- Long Sleeve College Shirt (White)
- Long Sleeve Elastane Blouse (White)
- Short Sleeve College Shirt (White)
- Short Sleeve Elastane Blouse (White)
- Gaberdine Tailored Pants with Zip-Pocket (Navy)
- Nylon Cotton Tracksuit Pants (Navy)
- Surf Style Gaberdine Pants (Navy)
- Tailored Hipster Pants (Navy)
- Winter Box Pleat Skirt (Navy)
- Winter Tunic with Detachable Bib (Navy)
- Sports Mesh Shorts (Navy)
- Surf Style Gaberdine Shorts (Navy)
- Serge Tailored Shorts with Zip-Pocket (Navy)
- Summer dress (Fabric code 7120 Check with Navy Piping)

<u>Hats:</u>

- Brushed Cotton Cap with logo (Navy)
- Knitted Beanie with Pom Pom (School Colours)
- Soft Brimmed Slouch Hat with Elastic Band & logo (Navy)

Accessories:

- Ankle length socks (White)
- Knee high socks (Navy)
- Winter tights (Navy)