HEALTH AND SAFETY RULES

- Footwear should meet safety standards and not limit involvement in educational programs. Heavy shoes or slip ons (including thongs) are not suited to active involvement in learning activities.
- All students are expected to wear broad-brimmed or legionnaire hats in the yard and for outside activities, including sport, in Terms 1 and 4.

Procedures for non-exempted students (in line with DECD guidelines)

- Teacher reminds and encourages child to wear clothing outlined in the school uniform policy.
- A member of the Leadership Team will contact the parents/caregivers via a letter or phone call.
- A member of the Leadership team will speak to the student, in private, to encourage him/her to observe the colour code.
- A member of the Leadership team will record the names of the students not wearing appropriate clothing and the consequences (No hat or colour code, no play or play in designated shade area) and action taken to encourage and ensure compliance with the policy.
- For safety reasons, students not wearing the school uniform on excursions will need to borrow second hand uniform.

Education Regulations 77, Division 4.179, provides the right for Governing Councils to determine a “school uniform” for all.

The Tailem Bend Primary School Uniform was reviewed by the Uniform Sub-Committee following the DECD Administrative and Instructional Guidelines, Section 3, Division 4.179.

This Policy was ratified by Governing Council

IMPLEMENTED: May 2015
REVIEW DATE: May 2018

Tailem Bend Primary School
UNIFORM POLICY

The Tailem Bend Primary School Governing Council has determined the Uniform Policy.

RATIONALE

We believe as a school community that there are benefits in students following an agreed school uniform policy:

- contributes to whole school unity and pride
- develops individual self esteem through the feeling of “belonging”
- contributes to the development of a supportive school environment, by reducing levels of competitive dressing
- supports social justice initiatives by discouraging fashion competition
- develops a positive image of Tailem Bend Primary School in the wider community
- assists staff in identifying strangers in the school grounds and therefore enables staff to ensure a greater level of safety for students
- assists in identifying students during excursions and in the school grounds.
It is an expectation that all uniforms worn must be clean, neat and tidy. Clothing with large writing, logos or pictures are not acceptable, except for the school logo.

TOPS:
- Royal Polo Shirt – with gold trim
- Royal Windcheater
- Dark Royal Zip Jackets
- Navy Dry & Cosy Jacket

BOTTOMS:
- Navy ¾ or long trousers
- Navy Blue Track Pants or Navy skirt
- Summer school dress: white and dark royal check with white collar and cuff.
- Shorts, skirts and skorts to be worn mid thigh length
- Long and short pants should be navy
- Clean, blue jeans are acceptable.

FOOTWEAR:
- Shoes must be sensible and safe.
- Slip-ons (without a back), thongs and crocs are not appropriate.

HATS:
- All hats must be royal blue with a minimum 7cm brim.
- Hats are compulsory in Terms 1 & 4.
- No large or inappropriate logos.
- All hats to be removed in class.
- The only writing on hats is to be the student’s name (inside the hat).

COATS, SCARVES
- Coats and scarves are acceptable for warmth in cold weather but must be removed in classrooms.
- We have some royal beanies and scarves available for sale.

EXCURSIONS:
- Correct uniform to be worn on all excursions except when teachers have given written permission for students to wear appropriate casual clothes.

PE LESSONS
- Uniform dress is not necessary but no large or inappropriate logos.
- Appropriate PE footwear is required.

SCHOOL SPORTS DAY:
- Students are required to wear a T-shirt in official house colours:
  - Kangaroos – Red
  - Dingoes – Blue
  - Wombats – Green
  - Koalas – Yellow

UNIFORM SALES – From the office
The school has in stock:
- school polo shirts, windcheaters, shorts, hats; and some garments from the special order.
- Navy zip jackets, trackpants, trousers, skorts, and summer dresses are available through our special order, which is sent out to families once per term.
- Clean second Hand uniforms are available from the Front Office.

CONSIDERATIONS:
- Parents/caregivers are not compelled to purchase garments through the school but students are expected to wear school colours and accepted style for all learning activities, including those outside the school.
- If a child attends out of uniform and is planning to participate in an excursion or school activity where uniform is to be worn, wherever possible the child will be provided with suitable, clean garments which comply with the uniform policy. It is expected that borrowed clothing be laundered and returned to the school as soon as possible.
- Clothing should be clearly labelled, thus reducing the amount of lost property.
- Parents/caregivers have the right to request exemption for their children on specific grounds:
  - religious, cultural or ethnic
  - new students (time to purchase, wear previous uniform)
  - itinerant students
  - genuine medical or family sickness reasons
- Exemptions are to be requested by the parent/caregiver in writing or by interview with the Principal.