# **Dress Code**

### "NO HAT, NO PLAY"

The aims of the SunSmart Policy are to promote among students, staff and parents:

- positive attitudes towards skin protection.
- lifestyle practices which can help reduce the incidence of skin cancer and the number of related deaths.
- personal responsibility for and decision-making about skin protection.
- awareness of the need for environmental changes in schools to reduce the level of exposure to the sun.



This policy is implemented for terms 1 and 4 of the school year to ensure that all children attending our school are protected from skin damage caused by the harmful ultraviolet rays of the sun. Therefore children will:

- > wear Sun-Smart hats which protect the face, neck and ears whenever they are outside, eg sport activities, excursions and playtime for terms 1 & 4 of the school year.
- be encouraged to use available areas of shade for outdoor play activities, even when wearing hats.

We will conduct outdoor activities in areas of shade whenever possible and schedule outdoor activities before 10am and after 2pm (11am and 3pm daylight saving time) whenever possible.

Children not wearing a Sun-Smart hat, will spend playtime in a solid shade area. If the temperature is over 36 degrees at the start of recess or lunch, students will not go outside to play. Instead they will have alternate play options in their classroom/building.

#### DRESS CODE EXPECTATIONS

Darlington Primary Governing Council and Staff support and encourage the wearing of Dress Code by all students attending the School.

As a school we believe that the acceptance of a uniform dress code throughout the school is important for safety and health within the school, developing pride within the school community, social justice for all students and reducing financial demand on clothing. As a school we ask all parents to support and encourage the wearing of a dress code.

In the unlikely event that this poses a difficulty for your family we ask that personal contact is made with either the Principal, Wellbeing Leader or Front Office staff regarding individual situations.

Uniform clothing items can be purchased from the Front Office or alternatively from Big W, Kmart, Best & Less and target.

## **GENERAL DRESS CODE** (Girls/Boys)

- White or Navy collared polo shirt
- Navy windcheater/jumper
- Navy shorts (Summer)
- Navy trackpants/blue jeans/cords
- Navy/White socks
- Lace up shoes and/or sneakers and sandals (no exposed toes)
- Year 6 Commemorative Windcheater
- Earrings Studs only are permitted. (Sleepers are only accepted for medical reasons)
- Navy Sunsafe Hat (compulsory for terms 1 and 4)

#### **GIRL'S DRESS CODE**

- Navy skorts/skirts (this does not include netball skirts which are to be for sports only)
- Summer dress/ skirt are on display in office

Please note: We encourage school logo.

