MALMSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL
UNIFORM POLICY

Rationale
Wearing school uniform fosters pride in the school, encourages children to identify with the school and feel a sense of belonging. It also assists with supervision and safety on visits out of the school, and unifies students from varying social and cultural backgrounds into a cohesive school whole.

Guidelines
- The wearing of school uniform is compulsory for all students except where an exemption is given by School Council.
- The uniform will consist of a combination of items from the designated uniform list with the predominant colours red, black and white.
- The uniform is chosen because it is attractive, durable, comfortable, and does not hinder or restrict student participation in physical education or sport.
- Students participating in interschool sport and excursions, or representing the school at outside activities, will wear school uniform.
- A special commemorative Year 6 windcheater/hoodie may be offered to Year 6 students only.
- A Malmsbury ‘sunsmart’ hat is a compulsory uniform item whenever students are outside from September 1st through to April 30th.
- The school’s uniform policy on the wearing of hats will comply with the Anti Cancer Council’s Sunsmart guidelines at all times.
- The following items are not permitted:
  - extreme hairstyles and hair colour
  - make-up and nail polish
  - earrings other than sleepers or studs
  - attention seeking accessories
- In exceptional circumstances: medical or religious, exemptions may be sought from the Principal.
- A store of clean donated second hand uniforms will be kept at the school.
- Staff will actively encourage the implementation of this policy.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring students are in school uniform and are expected to provide an explanation if the student is out of uniform.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring their child’s uniform is in good repair - clean, not ripped or have holes, not drawn on.
- This policy will be monitored by the Principal in accordance with DEECD regulations.

Implementation
- Students who regularly arrive at school out of uniform will be provided with a spare uniform for the day.
- Donated second-hand articles will be used as spare uniform items and to support families experiencing hardship.
- To pass on clean second hand uniform items a ‘Please help yourself’ table will be placed at the front of the school each term and a notice put in the newsletter to alert parents.
- The school will sell the following school uniform items with the school logo printed clearly on each item: Sunsmart hats, polo shirts, full zip hoodies, polar fleece jackets.
- The school will not purchase and keep a large number of uniform items but each term will collect uniform orders from parents and place an order with the uniform company.
- Prep students will be provided with a school Sunsmart hat at the start of their prep year. Parents Club covers this cost.
• Students without a uniform hat will be directed to, and must remain in, a shaded area.
• Reminders will be put on excursion and sport notices regarding the wearing of hats.
• A note will be sent home with students who are out of school uniform asking parents to ensure their child is wearing school uniform and offering support if they can’t afford to purchase uniform items.
• At the start of the school year, end of Term 2 and 3, information will be in the school newsletter about the approved uniform items for the next season.
• Casual dress days will be organised regularly by Junior School Council with gold coin donations to go towards a charity of school project.

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

This policy was ratified at School Council on November 25th 2015.

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Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)
• red and white check school dress
• plain black leggings or tights can be worn under the school dress (leggings are not to be worn as trousers/pants)
• plain black shorts (no coloured stripes or coloured logos)
• red school logo full zip hoodie or polar fleece
• red short sleeved school logo polo shirt
• red, black or white long sleeved t-shirt can be worn under the school polo shirt
• red school logo full zip hoodie or polar fleece
• socks - red, black or white
• plain black shoes (no coloured stripes or coloured logos)
• red school logo Sunsmart wide brim hat

Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)
• plain black shorts (no coloured stripes or coloured logos)
• plain black track pants (cuffed or straight) with red short sleeved school logo polo shirt
• plain black tunic with plain black leggings or tights worn underneath and red school logo polo shirt (leggings are not to be worn as trousers/pants)
• red school logo full zip hoodie or polar fleece
• red, black or white long sleeved t-shirt or skivvy can be worn under the school logo polo shirt
• red short sleeved school logo polo shirt
• socks - red, black or white
• plain black shoes (no coloured stripes or coloured logos)

On School House Sports days students can dress in their House colours-
Chisholm=yellow
Freeman=green
Hollows=blue
Examples of suitable footwear