



Information for Students & Parents

1. PURPOSE

At Margaret River Senior High School, our uniform reflects who we are as a community. It promotes a positive public image, creates a sense of belonging, and encourages students to feel proud of being part of our school.

Wearing a uniform helps students develop confidence in presenting themselves and supports their understanding of community, workplace and safety expectations as they move into adult life. Most importantly, it ensures that all students can participate in school feeling comfortable, included and ready to learn.

Students at MRSHS wear their uniform with pride. Consistent uniform expectations help maintain a safe environment by clearly identifying those who are part of our school community.

Our uniform has been developed in partnership with students, families and staff to ensure it is practical, affordable and contemporary. We regularly review uniform items to make sure they continue to meet the needs of our school.

This Uniform Policy has been endorsed by the MRSHS School Board and outlines the expectations for uniform wear for all students. By enrolling at MRSHS, parents and caregivers agree to support their child in wearing the approved school uniform.

2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- The uniform must be **safe, practical and cost-effective**, appropriate for all learning environments.
- Students must wear the correct uniform **at school, on excursions, and while travelling to and from school**.
- Only approved MRSHS uniform items may be worn unless otherwise stated under transition arrangements.
- Uniform items must be worn as designed, and any alterations that change the intended fit, style, or appearance are not permitted.
- The uniform supports equity by reducing peer pressure around clothing choices.

3. APPROVED UNIFORM ITEMS

3.1 School Tops

Standard School Tops

- Lower School Polo (Years 7–10)
Forest green/black/white MRSHS polo – fitted or unisex.
- Upper School Polo (Years 11–12)
White/grey/green MRSHS polo – fitted or unisex.
- White Formal Shirt (Student Councillors, Years 11–12)
Fitted or unisex White MRSHS formal shirt.

Outerwear

- Microfibre Fleece-Lined Jacket
Green and black zip-up jacket with logo.
- Fleece Jumper
Black and green pullover with logo.

Plain black undershirts may be worn underneath for warmth. Undershirts must have **no hoods**.

Physical Education Tops

MRSHS house polos will now become the official Physical Education Polo shirt. These tops are to be worn for:

- All Physical Education lessons
- House events
- Carnivals and sporting activities

Approved MRSHS design (aligned to Houses):

- Gabbi – Blue
- Doorga – Yellow
- Kaala – Red
- Boodja – Green

Previous grey PE polo shirts remain acceptable uniform during the transition period.

3.2 Bottoms

Students may wear the following:

- Black MRSHS-branded shorts
- Black MRSHS-branded skorts
- Black MRSHS-branded long pants

Guidelines:

- Skirts, shorts and dresses must be of a modest length and sit no more than 10 cm above the knee.
- Plain black stockings may be worn with skirts or shorts.

Not permitted:

- Denim jeans
- Leggings or tights worn alone
- Short, tight skirts or shorts

3.3 Footwear

Students must wear plain, closed-in shoes (heel, top and toe enclosed), such as black school shoes or sneakers. Sneakers must be able to be tightly laced for use on the oval and in the gym.

The following footwear is not permitted:

- Sandals
- Slip-ons
- Crocs
- Open-toed footwear
- High heels
- Ugg boots or other non-school footwear

3.4 Physical Education Uniform

For all PE classes, students must wear:

- PE Polo Shirt (House Colour)
- MRSHS black sport shorts or trackpants
- Sports-appropriate footwear

PE, Dance, and Cadet uniforms are not permitted during regular classes.

3.5 Jewellery, Make-up and Body Adornments

- Must be minimal, unobtrusive and safe.
- Earrings must be studs or sleepers only.
- Facial piercings must have flat, plastic-backed studs.
- Excessive piercings, unsafe jewellery or heavy make-up are not permitted.
- Students may be requested to remove items if deemed unsafe or inappropriate.

3.6 School Board Approved Uniform

Uniform items approved by the MRSHS School Board may be worn, as per the conditions of approval set by the Board.

3.7 Suggested SunSmart Items

While not compulsory, students are encouraged to follow SunSmart guidelines to support their health and wellbeing. The following items may be worn or used at school:

- Hats – Recommended when outdoors. Hats must not display inappropriate or offensive images, text, or logos. Hats are not to be worn indoors.
- Sunglasses – Permitted outdoors only. Sunglasses must be practical, and free from inappropriate or offensive branding or imagery.
- Sunscreen – Students may bring and apply their own sunscreen throughout the day as needed. These items support students to be SunSmart and promote healthy, safe participation in school activities.

4. SPECIALIST LEARNING AREAS – SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Departments such as Design & Technology, Home Economics and Science may require additional safety measures, including:

- Fully enclosed footwear
- Protective clothing
- Safety goggles
- Hair tied back
- Trimmed nails

Students must comply with safety guidelines at all times.

5. INTERSCHOOL AND SPECIAL UNIFORM ITEMS

5.1 Interschool Uniforms

- MRSHS supplies team uniforms for interschool events.

5.2 Year 12 Leavers Jacket

- Only current Year 12 students may wear the approved jacket for their graduating year.
- Jackets from previous years are not part of the uniform.

5.3 Specialist Surf Program Jumpers.

Students participating in the Specialist Surf Program may wear the current year's Surf Program jumper on the day they attend their scheduled surf session. These jumpers are not part of the standard school uniform and cannot be worn on other days. Students must wear regular MRSHS uniform items on all non-surf program days.

6. NON-ACCEPTABLE UNIFORM ITEMS

The following items are not permitted under any circumstances:

- Denim jeans
- Leggings/tights worn without shorts or a skirt
- Short or tight skirts/shorts
- Sandals or thongs
- Ugg boots, boots or high heels
- Hoodies, non-school jumpers or jackets
- Brands, slogans or clothing with large visible logos

7. UNIFORM SUPPLY

The MRSHS uniform is supplied by Uniform Concepts.

Busselton Superstore

33 Bussell Highway, Busselton WA 6280

Hours: Tue–Thu 9am–5pm; Sat 9am–12pm

Phone: (08) 9270 4663

Email: busselton@uc.nellgray.com.au

Website: <https://www.nellgray.com.au>

Online ordering: www.nellgray.com.au

Financial Support for Low-Income Families

Low-income families may be eligible for the **Government Clothing Allowance**, which provides financial assistance to help with uniform costs.

Further information and eligibility criteria can be found at:

<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/school-uniform-allowance>

8. ENFORCEMENT OF THE UNIFORM POLICY

- The MRSHS Uniform Policy is supported by the school's Good Standing Policy, with a strong focus on supporting students to meet uniform expectations and wear their uniform with pride.
- Students are expected to wear the school uniform every day. Students who are unable to do so due to exceptional circumstances must report to Student Services before school, where they will be provided with a loan item or issued a uniform pass. Loan items must be returned washed the following day.
- Students who do not follow this process may be asked to remove any non-uniform item, or be sent to Student Services to rectify the issue by borrowing an item or receiving a uniform pass.
- Students who consistently fail to wear the correct uniform will be managed in line with the school's Behaviour Policy. This may include loss of Good Standing and associated privileges.
- Our priority remains to support all students to meet dress code expectations and engage positively in school life.

9. TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS (2025–2030)

As MRSHS transitions to updated uniform designs, all older uniform items and previous polo styles will remain valid and accepted until the transition is complete. Students will not be penalised for wearing older styles during this period.