



## Clothing Policy

Date adopted:

Date last reviewed:  
January 2021

Reviewed by:  
Board of Management.

Date of next review:  
January 2023

### Policy context:

This policy relates to:

National Quality Standards.	Quality Area 2 Children's health and safety Element 2.1.1 <i>Wellbeing and Comfort</i> Each child's wellbeing and comfort is provided for...
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Legislation/Act.	National Regulation 106 Laundry and hygiene facilities
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### Documents related to this policy

Related policies	Sun Protection Policy Staff Uniform Policy
Forms or other organisational documents	Workplace Instruction – Sluicing Soiled Clothes
References	Sue Tarrant, 2002 "Managing OH & S in Children's Services" The Cancer Council NSW – SunSmart childcare: A guide for service providers, 2008 <a href="http://www.cancercouncil.com.au/sunsmart">www.cancercouncil.com.au/sunsmart</a>

### Policy Review:

Policy review frequency: This policy will be reviewed in accordance with the Organisations Review Policy.

Responsibility for review: The Board of Management.

Where appropriate staff will be part of the review process.

Documentation and communication: Policy documentation to be held in Policy and Procedure manuals. Where appropriate copies of new or reviewed policies will be given to staff, volunteers and families.

## Purpose

To offer clothing guidelines for children and staff using the service.

## Rationale

To ensure children are appropriately dressed according to climate or environment.  
To ensure that children are dressed in protective clothing appropriate to activity.

## Policy

To have fun and as part of the learning process - this sometimes means messy play.

Cultural and religious needs will be respected.

Please send your child in comfortable, non-restrictive clothing.

Shirts with sleeves must be worn as they protect young skin. When outdoors children, staff, volunteers and students to wear protective clothing; shirts or dresses with collar or high neck, longer style sleeves, shorts and skirts. The back and stomach is also to be covered.

Families should be aware that drawstrings, belts, cords etc pose a potential choking/safety hazard and minimising their use is recommended.

Shoes are to be worn to the pre-school excluding thongs, Crocs and gum boots. Whilst we acknowledge that gumboots do play a functional role in early childhood explorations they are not best practice for gross motor activities.

Educators ensure children are appropriately dressed according to the day e.g. jackets on/off.

Educators ensure that children wear a hats during all outdoor play activities.

Soiled clothes will be changed and placed in a plastic bag or re-useable wash bag. We do not have the facilities to launder them at the Centre.

Children will be encouraged to wear aprons during water and messy play activities.

Although protective eyewear is advocated in most situations, wearing of sunglasses (approved under current Australian Standards) by the children in attendance at Woy Woy Peninsula Community Child Care Centre is not recommended due to the vigorous nature of activity in the playground and the potential safety hazard posed to **all children under our Duty of Care**. If you wish for your child to wear sunglasses at the Centre, please see the Director and provide a letter from a medical practitioner.

Please refer to Sun Protection Policy.