Tuesday, 15 September 2015

Dear Parents and Guardians

We write to you regarding our uniform expectations for Term 4. Students will be able to wear their summer school dress from the first day of the term. This should be worn at least at knee length with long white socks and black lace up school shoes.

As you would be aware we have been working to ensure that winter skirts are worn at the expected length and we received tremendous support from families in following this through with students. We have appreciated your support and would ask that you work with your daughter to ensure that her summer school dress is also worn at the required length.

There have also been some other uniform issues that have emerged, including a prevalence of short black socks being worn with the PE uniform. We take this opportunity to remind all families that white ankle socks are expected to be worn with the sports uniform.

Once again we will follow regular protocols where students have difficulty complying with the stated uniform and grooming expectations which are attached with this letter for your information. Where students are not in the correct uniform families will be issued with a letter detailing what needs to be resolved and a date by which we expect the matter to be finalised. Where this does not occur students will be sent home until the issue is resolved.

The On-Campus Uniform shop will be open on Wednesday 30 September over the school holidays to ensure that families are able to purchase uniform items as necessary. The uniform shop is also open every Wednesday and Friday from 10.00am to 1.30pm during term time.

We thank you in anticipation of your support. If you have any issues or concerns please contact your daughter’s homeroom teacher or Year Level Leader.

Yours sincerely

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THE COLLEGE UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

Marian College students are to wear the approved uniform. Because the uniform advertises the College, it is essential that it is worn with respect. Parents will be contacted and students will be removed from class and sent home to change if they are not in correct school uniform.

1. Correct and full uniform is to be worn to and from school. If students choose to wear their school uniform in public on other occasions, eg. after school, it is to be worn as the complete uniform and students will adhere to the College expectations. On sports days, or at the specific request of staff, students may come in FULL sports uniform. (On other days runners may be worn for lunchtime activities only but are not to be worn in class nor to and from school.)

2. All students are to wear the College blazer to and from school every day. On hot days, wearing of the blazer home will be at the discretion of the College. Jumpers are not to be worn as the outer garment to and from school.

3. No garment other than those stated in uniform requirements are to be visible, e.g. T-shirts worn under dresses and shirts, socks beneath or over stockings and no leggings. No item of the sports uniform is to be worn with the Marian summer or winter uniform.

4. The summer dress and the winter skirt are to be worn at least at knee length.

5. School socks are to be white and knee length. Blue tights (as per the uniform supplier) are ONLY to be worn with the winter uniform and are to be free of holes, ladders or visible rips. Stockings or pantyhose are not acceptable.

6. Shirts are to be tucked in at all times. Blazers, school jumpers, rugby tops and sports jackets are not to be worn around the waist.

7. The School tie needs to be worn correctly and not tucked into the winter school skirt.

8. In keeping with best practice in Work, Health and Safety, school shoes are to be polishable black lace up ONLY. No ballet type shoes or t-bars.

9. Students in all year levels may wear the full sports uniform only on days designated by the Health and PE teacher for which they are timetabled to participate in practical Physical Education classes.

10. Sports runners are to be appropriate supportive footwear with laces only. Light canvas slip-ons such as volleys or vans are not acceptable.

11. If a student in Year 7 – 12 does not have full and correct sports uniform they are to wear their full school uniform to school and change into their alternative sports uniform for physical education classes only. The sports uniform is not to be worn to school if students are not participating in a practical physical education class. When wearing the sports uniform the rugby top/spray jacket is considered the outer garment.

12. The College polo shirt, rugby top and sports jacket are the only tops permitted when students are required to wear their physical education uniform. All items of clothing other than these specified, for example: skivvies and windcheaters, are not permitted to be worn.

13. The only jewelry permitted is one pair of plain/small piercing studs or sleepers, in silver or gold, a simple watch, and/or medical alert identification. No other jewelry, (including body piercing or clear inserts) is permitted. Use of band-aids, plug or other cover for piercing is not acceptable.

14. Hair is to be neatly groomed and appropriate to the wearing of a uniform. Hair must be tied back and the accessory used must be blue or cherry red in colour, as per College regulations. Unusual fashion modes, as determined by the College, that are not in keeping with the wearing of a school uniform are unacceptable. This includes spiked hair, dreadlocks, unwashed hair or any unnatural hair colour, etc.
15. The official Marian plain blue scarf can be worn with the winter uniform. An official Marian blue beanie is also permitted to be used. These are the only scarves and beanies to be worn with the College winter uniform.

16. **No make-up or coloured nail polish is to be worn.** In keeping with best practice in Work, Health and Safety acrylic, gel shellac or french manicured nails are not acceptable. Accessories, other than those already stated in 1 - 15 above, are not to be worn.

17. To ensure adequate protection from the sun the wearing of an official Marian College hat/cap is expected for all students in Years 7 to 12 during Physical Education classes during classes in terms 1 and 4.

18. All students are to have a Marian College school bag. All students' bags, books, diary and school equipment are to be free of graffiti and any kind of labels or stickers. Marian excursion bags can be used for excursions when instructed by the organizing teacher. These are available from the uniform supplier.

19. A Year 12 commemorative hoodie or t-shirt will only be worn in Term 4.

20. Students involved in VET subjects requiring appropriate uniform can only wear that clothing at the specific time designated by the subject teacher.

21. When the uniform cannot be worn for some good reason, parents are asked to notify the Homeroom Teacher or Year Level Leader in writing.

**Note:** A second-hand uniform shop is operated by the office staff. Noone Schoolwear is at the College every Wednesday and Friday from 10.00am to 1:30pm for those who wish to purchase new items of uniform.