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Parents/Caregivers

UNIFORMS

With the cooler weather we have noted that there are a few challenges with students and their uniform. I therefore thought I would take this opportunity to affirm our expectations.

1. We are a school who has a uniform and students are required to wear the approved school uniform and we wish our students to wear the uniform with pride.
2. Students who have an issue with their uniform can get a uniform pass with a note from home, from Student Services, however only one uniform pass each term will be granted.
3. If students are wearing non regulation items they will be confiscated and kept at Student Services where they can be uplifted by a family or whanau member. If the issue is ongoing there will a specific intervention which may include students being sent home until the issue is resolved with their caregivers before they return to school
4. If the student has already had a uniform pass this term or is unable or it is inappropriate for the student to remove the item (e.g. trousers) they will be sent to the SLT member responsible for that year level. Then one of the following actions will occur:
 - a. The student will be asked to make contact with home to get the appropriate uniform item brought to school, or;
 - b. The school will get consent to send the student home to get the required uniform item, or;
 - c. The student will spend the day in the Deanery.
 - d. If the issue is unable to be resolved the student may be issued with a uniform pass for the day.
5. We are asking for your support in this matter and we will be re-affirming our expectations with students. If however a student refuses to remove the item this behaviour will be considered as disobedience and significant consequences maybe applied, including stand downs.



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6. For ongoing uniform issues where students continually are at school not meeting the uniform requirements this will result in a specific intervention. This may include students being sent home until the issue is resolved and then returned to school. Parents/caregivers will be contacted and informed of the situation.
7. Staff are talking to students about the schools expectations about uniform, and exploring possible strategies which can help them in challenging circumstances. E.g. wearing more than one singlet or white T-shirt under their regulation shirt when it is cold.

Families are reminded that we do not sell the uniform from school and that it can only be purchased from Direct Group Uniforms, 115 Ellis Street, Frankton Phone 07 847 6664 or 0800 863 737 : Website: www.directgroup.co.nz Open Monday–Friday 8am– 5pm.

HEAD LICE

We have had a couple of students who have had head lice. Would you please check your child/children's hair and treat accordingly. I am therefore asking:

- if you find live head lice or eggs on your child's scalp, treat your child and check everyone in the house treatment of head lice is usually by chemical / herbal treatments, and physical methods (wet combing)
- wet combing with conditioner and a fine tooth nit comb alone can be effective if done properly
- if you choose to use a chemical or herbal treatment, speak to your pharmacist, doctor or nurse for advice about what treatment to use and how to use it - never use fly spray, kerosene or treatments intended for animals – these may harm children and adults.

If you need any assistance with this please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your assistance in these matters

Kia Ora



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