



25th January 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A warm welcome to the 2019 school year. Hopefully the holidays were enjoyable and relaxing, and provided families and students with the opportunity to spend quality time together. The beginning of the year is an opportune time to clarify and reinforce student expectations and standards. The purpose of this letter is to clarify the College uniform remind students and their families of the College's expectations concerning presentation and grooming.

Formal Uniform

- Green College Hat (*Broad Brim or Bucket*)
- Button up College shirt
- College tie (*Striped Tie*)
- Black belt
- Long SBC grey trousers (***Please note that long grey trousers can be worn anytime during the year but MUST BE worn when advised for formal events***)
- Grey College Socks
- Black leather Shoes

Note: Students will be advised when they are required to wear the formal uniform (for example Senior Commitment Mass and Academic Assemblies). Students will no longer be required to wear the formal uniform each Wednesday.

Daily academic uniform

- Green College Hat (*Broad Brim or Bucket*)
- Button up College shirt
- College tie (*Striped Tie – to be worn daily in Terms 2 and 3*)
- Black belt
- SBC Grey Shorts
- Grey College Socks
- Black leather Shoes

Note: In 2019 all students will be required to wear their College tie each day for the duration of terms two and three.

Shoes and Belt

Students are to wear black leather shoes and a standard black belt with their uniform. All items are to remain in a respectable condition. Black Converse canvas style shoes are not to be worn to school.



Green College Broad Brim or Bucket Hat

The College hat is to be kept in a respectable state, free from graffiti and completely intact. Any student wearing a College hat in poor condition will be asked to replace it. I would also urge parents to name their son's hat by embroidering their name into the brim of the hat.

School socks

Students are to wear long grey College socks with both the daily academic uniform and the formal uniform. For the Physical Education uniform, students are to wear either plain white sports socks or the SBC white ankle socks.

Personal grooming and presentation

Alternative hairstyles such as undercuts, colouring, tracks and mullets are not permitted. Hairstyles that require styling to keep it off the collar, ears and above the eyebrows are also not permitted. Students who fail to comply will be referred to their respective Head of Year or Head of Residence and will be asked to rectify their hair in a timely manner. If deemed necessary, the student's Parents/Guardians will be contacted. If the student still refuses to comply with the College's expectations the matter will be referred to their respective Head of School or Head of Boarding.

Shaving

A number of the boys have reached a point in their physical maturation where they can grow facial hair. The College has very clear expectations regarding personal grooming. As such, students must present to all College related events and activities cleanly shaven. Many years ago, the College made the decision to respect the choice of Torres Strait Islander students to take part in a cultural tradition of a Shaving Ceremony. Subsequently, the Torres Strait Islander students, whose parents have specifically requested they participate in this cultural practice, are only required to shave once they've undergone this rite of initiation. If you require further clarification concerning this matter, please contact the College.

The College acknowledges that, on occasions, circumstances will arise which prohibit a student from complying with the expectations regarding uniform and grooming. On such occasions, students are to bring a brief note from their parents/guardians or Head of Residence explaining when they expect to have the situation rectified.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the college.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Corboy'.

Rob Corboy
Principal