



Pearling Season International School

News and Notices from the Pastoral Coordinator

November 25th 2020

Dear Parents,

I would very much like to thank you for your continued efforts to support your children as we work to establish regular routines and improved standards. It has been a pleasure to see how our students are responding to the expectations and becoming more organised in their approach to their learning. I provide the information below to assist you in supporting your children to meet the expectations and to respond to a few queries that we have received.

Careers' Day

Careers' Day was set for Thursday 26th November, however; due to COVID restrictions we are not permitted to proceed with our planned event. We still wish to engage all learners with the concept of life goals and professions. We will therefore have some commuted activities to ensure that our learners are reflecting on their long-term goals and opportunities.

The Primary School will be talking about different professions today... they are welcome to come to school dressed up in attire related to any profession of their choice on Thursday. They will also have the chance to engage in roleplay related to professional roles that they are interest in. If you are able to support your child to wear something related to a professional role, this would be welcomed, however; it is not compulsory. We will be revisiting this topic in January, so there is plenty of time to prepare.

The secondary students will be taking part in some reflective tasks to help them think about their future and consider how they can manage their studies at school to underpin their aspirations. The Year 12 students will also take part in 'mock' interviews for university. They will be required to attend a Zoom interview and must be dressed appropriately for this. Year 12 students should therefore attend school in formal attire on Thursday.

Uniform

I would like to address a few questions that have been raised...

- Black leggings *are not permitted for normal day wear, nor as part of the PE kit.*
- PE Kit *may be worn only on the days that PE is scheduled, except for Y11 who may wear PE Kit on Tuesday and Y12 who may wear PE kit on Thursday*
- PE Shorts *in previous years, shorts were (officially) not permitted for girls. This rule has been amended to permit girls to wear shorts with grey running tights underneath. Black leggings and/or black track pants as an alternative are not permitted*
- Trainers/Sports shoes *are not permitted with school uniform and may only be worn when the PE kit is worn on the days that PE is scheduled. They may be any colour*
- Hoodies/jackets *are not permitted in any colour at any time*

For further information and to view the full dress code, please visit the policies' section on the school website.



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Punctuality

Registration is at 7.00am each morning. Arrival after 7.00am will cause the student to be marked late. Three late marks are reflected as one absence for the attendance percentage as per the Ministry stipulation. Poor attendance may result in a requirement to repeat the year.

Clubs

Students who have registered for the taster sessions now have confirmed places. They will retain these places for the first half-term after the winter break. If we are able to add more clubs or increase the number of places available in each club, I will inform you.

Collection

Please note that children should be collected between 1.05pm and 1.10pm, unless they are attending a club. Clubs will finish at 2.15pm. **Children who are not attending clubs must be collected on time.** If they are travelling by Uber or taxi, their collection should be scheduled in advance to ensure that they leave site by 1.15pm at the latest. In accordance with the requirements set out by the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health, it is not permitted for students to remain onsite to socialise after school.

With thanks for your support,

Mrs. Rebecca Cruickshank
Pastoral Coordinator