

24 January 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Re: The new uniform

Welcome to the 2018 school year and to the Norwood Morialta High School Community.

As you are aware Norwood Morialta High School has been excited to introduce a new school uniform in 2018 for all new students and has been heartened by our school community's positive responses.

Unfortunately I am writing to inform our families that the implementation of the uniform is not progressing as we had hoped and will need to be a staged process.

Earlier this week the uniform supplier, UMS, advised the school there had been a delay in the production of fabrics that has left UMS with very low stock levels of formal shirts and blouses. Consequently many students may not have a formal shirt or blouse for the start of the new school year. This matter is further complicated due to the unavailability of the school dress until early March. UMS have reviewed their processes and will make every effort to ensure the formal shirt/blouse stock, along with the summer dress, will be available for purchase in early March.

Norwood Morialta High School has a long tradition of respect and excellence and expects all students to proudly wear the NMHS uniform. We uphold high expectations associated with the wearing of the uniform and believe this creates a sense of identity, pride and belonging within our school. Given the current stock situation we recognise the distress and concern this may cause our new students who want to commence their high school experience with their full uniform. To ensure all students are still able to wear their uniform with pride, we have modified our expectations and developed an interim uniform plan for the first four weeks of the new school year.

We wish to advise that the following uniform combinations may be worn:

- Boys: Sport top or polo with shorts or long pants
- Girls: Sport top with skirt (The polo may not be worn with the skirt.)
Sports top or polo with either the shorts or long pants
Girls may wear their complete sports uniform on days exceeding 35 degrees.

During this time students may also wear the former uniform items from their siblings and/or friends.

Please Note: From Tuesday 27 February the sport top and 'old' uniform items may not be worn and the new uniform policy combinations will once again apply.

Norwood Morialta High School and UMS sincerely apologise for the inconvenience and anguish this may have caused and seek your support to continue to support the full introduction of our new uniform in the coming weeks. We look forward to a long and successful partnership with you and your child.

Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Executive Team if you wish to discuss our school uniform or clarify our interim uniform plans.

Yours sincerely



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