



INFORMATION FOR THE START OF 2017 AT BISHOP VIARD COLLEGE

Welcome to Bishop Viard College for 2017. We hope your year ended well and you have a good holiday over the summer. All our organisation is designed to make your start at College as smooth and pleasant as possible. If there are things that are not clear, please feel free to ring and ask or pop in during the last week of January. We would love to see you again.

Uniform:

Our school has a uniform and we expect all families to support us in it being worn correctly. Non uniform items of clothing should not be worn with our school uniform and these may be confiscated. Our uniform is reflective of our school culture and therefore it needs to be worn correctly at all times.

The uniform shop is open on the 27th of January from 9.00am – 2.00pm. The uniform stocks new and used items of uniform except for shoes which need to be black.

Stationery Lists:

The lists are included with this letter. All students have a set of basic stationery which they need to get. Each option has its own requirements. The school supplies the materials for most of the Technology courses and appreciates a donation to help pay for them.

School Donation:

A donation of an amount that you can afford is appreciated. It may be donated by cheque, cash, AP or direct deposit to 12-3254-0090118-00 (Please include your family name and that it's a donation in the particulars field).

School Bus:

Information about the bus service can be found on www.manacoach.co.nz/schools/porirua_secondary

Morning: Titahi Bay is usually bus R210 7.45am at Pikarere Street
Bus R220 7.51am Gloaming Hill
Ascot Park Bus R220 7.47am Conclusion Street

Afternoon: 3.10pm from school to Mungavin Ave, Seivers Grove, Bedford St, Warspite Ave to Conclusion St

The bus will be organised for a 12.15 pickup on Monday 30th January and then will be as per a normal after school pickup from Tuesday 31st January.



Starting Dates for 2017 for new students:

Wednesday 25th January – 9.00am – 1.00pm Year 11-13 students Course approval

Thursday 26th January - Leadership Training / Retreat for Year 13 students

Monday 30th January - Timetable as follows:

8.45am - Current students to the hall, new students to wait outside the hall

9.00am – Powhiri starts

9.45am – All year 7/8 students to go to their core classes

Year's 9 – 13 students to their whanau classes

10.45am – Interval

11.20am – Return to classes as per morning schedule

12.15pm – End of day

Tuesday 31st January – Normal timetable starts. School starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.10pm.

Wednesday 15th February - There will be a 'Meet the Teachers' BBQ for all new students and their families.

I hope this answers all your questions about starting at Bishop Viard College. Enjoy the rest of the holiday break and we will see you on the 30th January 2017.

Yours faithfully

Rose Sawaya

Principal



Uniform Requirements

Boys

- Grey shirt with grey shorts and Viard socks **OR** white shirt & Viard College tie with regulation black long trousers.
- Red Bishop Viard jersey or vest.
- Black school shoes (shoe defined as below the ankle bone), or in summer Roman sandals.
- The formal uniform: Viard tie, white shirt, and red college blazer with regulation black long trousers.

Girls

- Short sleeved white open-necked blouse or long sleeved white blouse with school skirt in green tartan (White skivvy is optional for winter wear.)
- Red Bishop Viard jersey or vest.
- White ankle socks for summer or full length black tights (knee high stockings or short black socks are not permitted).
- Black school shoes (shoe defined as below the ankle bone), or in summer Roman sandals.
- The formal uniform is white blouse, red college blazer with regulation tartan skirt and optional Viard tie and black tights.

Physical Education

- Shirt and shorts
- White socks and white soled sports shoes or sandshoes

School Jacket

The school uniform has a school jacket for outer wear but any rainproof jacket is allowed. Jackets are for outside wear only.

Uniform Retailer

The uniform is available from the College.

Uniform Code

Students are asked to wear the school uniform tidily with pride and dignity.

Non Uniform Items:

- Other items of clothing should not be worn with school uniform and may be confiscated.
- One stud/small sleeper may be worn in the lobe of each ear. No other visible stud or item in a piercing is permitted.
- A watch should be the only jewellery worn on the wrist.
- Facial make-up and nail polish should not be worn with uniform and males should be clean-shaven.
- Hair colour should be of a single natural toning and long hair should be tied back tidily.
- One item of religious or cultural significance may be worn visibly around the neck, provided it is not deemed by Senior Management to be offensive, contrary to the Catholic Character of the College or a threat to health and safety. The traditions of the Catholic Church and the provisions of the Treaty of Waitangi with respect to Taonga will be honoured.