## TE PAEPAE 0 AOTEA

Kia eke ału ki Taupaenui o te tangata

## Uniform Newsletter - 3 April 2024

Kia ora e te whānau

Thank you to everyone who has ensured their child is in the correct uniform. We know this is not easy at the start of the year with return to school costs. Our staff have therefore focused on warm conversations with students and whānau in Term 1 to help students into the right uniform. As part of this process, we have helped several families by purchasing uniform for them. We will continue to help where we can and where it is needed. Please continue to reach out to us if you need support in this area.

Our focus from the start of Term 2 will be zero tolerance on incorrect uniform. Please connect with us before the holiday break if you need assistance to make this happen. Students who present in incorrect uniform will be questioned by staff; staff will then connect with home to make an urgent plan. Students who continue to wear incorrect uniform will go through our pastoral system and this will be recorded as continual disobedience.

Please check the uniform expectations later in this newsletter. If you have questions or need assistance, please connect with us.

The focus for 2024 is for ALL students to be in correct lowers (shorts, skirts, trousers, culottes). All students must be in the polo, hoodies and jackets that are new this year or the interim ones from last year.

A few misconceptions we currently have in our community:

Black jackets were acceptable in 2023 until we confirmed our new uniform. Students must now wear the new 2024 school jacket.
Crocs have never been part of the uniform and are not to be worn at school. They are also not allowed as playing shoes for sports events.
Birkenstocks are acceptable if they are plain black (brown cork-soled Birkenstocks are not allowed see picture below). All shoes must be plain black. If you are not sure, please connect with us before you purchase.
Socks must be plain navy or black and must be worn with shoes. Socks cannot be worn with sandals.
Black and Blue hoodies were only allowed until March. Now that the new hoodies are in stock, black and navy non-uniform hoodies are not allowed.

Thank you for your support in this area. It is very important that we have our students looking fantastic in their uniform.

Rachel Williams
Tumuaki


## Junior Uniform Requirements

- All students are to wear the new lower half of the new school uniform (purchase from NZ Uniforms): trousers, shorts, skirt or culottes.
- Students have the option to wear the new polo shirt or until the end of 2025 , the existing Te Paepae o Aotea polo shirt.
- Junior students have the choice of either the school hoodie, blazer, vest or new softshell jacket. Juniors are also able to wear the existing Te Paepae o Aotea hoodie and jacket until the end of 2025.
- Students are to wear plain black or navy-blue socks. Socks cannot be worn with sandals.
- Shoes must be ALL BLACK for both closed in shoes and sandals. No crocs, no slides/scuffs.

- Year 11-13 students have the option of wearing the rust blouse/shirt or new and existing polo shirt with the lower half of the new uniform options of trousers, shorts, skirt or culottes.
- Year 13 students have the option of wearing a white shirt for 2024 only.
- Senior students have the choice of either the school hoodie, blazer, vest or softshell jacket. They are also able to wear the existing Te Paepae o Aotea hoodie and jacket until the end of 2025.
- Students are to wear plain black or navy-blue socks. Socks cannot be worn with sandals.
- Shoes must be ALL BLACK for both closed in shoes and sandals. No crocs, no slides/scuffs.


## Optional Uniform Accessories

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| Te Paepae o Aotea Bucket Hat Navy | Te Paepae o Aotea Beanie Navy | Te Paepae o Aotea Cap Navy | Te Paepae o Aotea Scarf Navy/Rust | Te Paepae o Aotea Tie SENIOR STUDENTS ONLY |

- Bucket hat, beanie, cap and scarf are available to all students from NZ Uniforms. Only accessories purchased from NZ Uniforms may be worn.
- Students can wear a plain black or navy thermal underneath their uniform.

All school uniform items need to be purchased through

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## Te Paepae o Aotea Sports Uniform - Off Field

Te Paepae o Aotea has an online shop for students to purchase our 'Sports Hoodie' or 'Sports training/warm up tee'

- The shop is NOW live.
- The shop closes Monday, 15 April 2024.
- Items will be delivered 4-6 weeks from the closing date (approximately mid - end May).
- Delivery instructions - all items purchased will be delivered to the school for distribution. Items will be issued by the Sports Coordinator, Vicki Roberts.
- Payment option ONLINE ONLY.

If your TEAM coach has indicated you will be provided with a sports hoodie or sports training/warm up tee through sponsorship, please do not purchase through the online shop.

## IMPORTANT

It is important to understand that our Off Field Sports Uniform tees and hoodies may only be worn at Sport Exchanges/weekend games. These items ARE NOT the correct school uniform.

Any Off Field Sports Uniform items worn by students as part of the correct school uniform will be confiscated and the item held onto until the end of the Term.

## Order Te Paepae o Aotea Sports uniform online here

https://www.kukrisports.co.nz/teamshop/tepaepaeoaotea/productNavListNg.action



