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MBC School uniform changes

Next year (2024) will see the introduction of a new uniform at Marlborough Boys' College. This is the result of 2 years of consultation with the whole school community. As the current uniform provider's contract expired during the year, we have been working to contract a new uniform supplier and make improvements to the uniform based on the feedback from the consultation. Comfort, durability and affordability were the key issues raised in this feedback. This is also an opportunity to re-establish our expectations around wearing the correct school uniform.

As of 2024 all new year 9 students (transitioning from year 8 in 2023) will be wearing the new school uniform. If your son is in Year 10 or 11 next year (2024) then he can continue to wear the current school uniform. As students outgrow their uniform, they can replace it with the new uniform items. Please see below for the uniform items.

Year 9, 10 and 11 uniform.

- MBC school polo (grey with MBC crest)
- MBC school shorts (charcoal)
- MBC school trousers (charcoal)
- MBC socks (navy blue with gold MBC text)

There are also changes for students who are transitioning into Year 12 next year (2024). The major difference is the change in shorts. From 2024 senior students will also be in charcoal shorts (the same as the junior shorts). Those going into Y12 will be able to wear their charcoal shorts next year. Those students moving into Y13 can still wear the tan shorts. Tan shorts will be transitioned out over the next 2 years. There is also a change in the polo as we move to a more lightweight, durable fabric. Again, students can still wear the current navyblue polo. The current navy-blue polos have been marked down in price for those who need replacements.

Year 12, and 13 Uniform

- MBC school polo (navy-blue with MBC crest)
- MBC school shorts (charcoal)
- MBC school trousers (charcoal)
- MBC socks (navy-blue with gold MBC text)

Formal Uniform

- MBC school blazer (navy-blue with MBC crest)
- MBC school tie (navy-blue with gold stripes)
- MBC school trousers (charcoal)
- MBC Sulu (charcoal)
- Black leather style dress shoes (either laced or slip-on)



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Outerwear

From 2024 there will be a range of outer garments available to wear.

- MBC athletic ¼ zip top (navy blue with MBC crest) this will replace the MBC jersey. Again, if your son already has a jersey then they can continue to wear them.
- MBC softshell jacket (navy blue with MBC crest) introduced in 2020.
- MBC outer shell jacket (navy blue with MBC crest) new in 2024.

Please note that from next year <u>only Year 13 students will be permitted to wear black</u> <u>puffer jackets</u>. As these were removed in 2020 the expectation is that students have moved to an MBC softshell jacket.

Socks

As of 2024, we will be introducing a new navy-blue MBC sock. Students may wear the current navy-blue sock or the new MBC version. Any other sock will not be permitted.

Footwear – All footwear must be black.

Students are required to wear the following footwear.

- Black sports shoes, with black soles, logos and laces or Velcro.
- Black leather shoes with black laces or slip-on.
- Black Sandals with a backstrap (Roman sandals) or Black "Birkenstock" style sandals.
- Sandals are to be worn without socks.

The following footwear **IS** acceptable.



The following footwear **IS NOT** acceptable.



Please note that the uniform shop does not sell footwear. If you are not sure whether footwear is acceptable or not, please check with the school before purchasing.

The uniform shop will not be trading in old uniforms apart from Blazers.

If you have any questions, please contact the Uniform Shop. uniformshop@mbc.school.nz