



March 21, 2018

Re: Notification of change of uniform supplier

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

During the upcoming school holidays, further demolition work will occur on the school site in preparation for the extension of the Bethlehem Spine (link bridge) during Term 2. This will include demolition of the Uniform shop, Video conference room, Rosina Burns bridge and the Aikenhead lift.

The news of the demolition of the Uniform shop opened up the opportunity to review our arrangements with the current supplier of the uniform shop, Taleb. This was finalised last year, and the contract was offered to Lowes who is a major sponsor of the Catholic Education Foundation Bursary. Lowes will offer a more flexible service with parents able to access the shop 7 days a week at Burwood Plaza at Shop 32, 42-50 Railway Parade, Burwood, PHONE: 9744 0200 as well as online 24/7 on www.lowes.com.au

As per the attached flyer, **the last day of trading for the Bethlehem College (onsite) uniform shop will be Friday, April 13.**

Lowes will commence its contract as uniform supplier to the College from April 23, 2018

While Lowes have purchased some rolls of materials and will have access to any unsold uniform stock after April 13, they have already informed us that during this period of transition while they are finalizing stock from their own suppliers, **there will be a delay in the supply of some items of the College winter uniform** including some sizes of the Junior tunic and long sleeved shirt, blazer and winter tracksuit for the first four weeks of Term 2. They expect these issues to be resolved by May 21. As the newest members of the community, Year 7 parents were informed of these delays at the parent information evening earlier this term.

In response, the College will allow some flexibility in the final date for the changeover to winter uniform until Friday, May 25.

What does this mean for your daughter?

- **All students in Years 7-12 who have the winter uniform** are to wear the uniform from Day 1, Term 2. Parents, carers and students need to consult the College planner for the uniform requirements.
- Other students, particularly those in Year 7 and new students in Years 8-10, who may not have purchased the winter uniform, will be permitted to wear their summer uniform with a jumper/blazer until Friday, May 25 when the supply issues should be resolved.

I apologise for the inconvenience and thank you in advance for your patience and support during this period of transition. I welcome Lowes as the new supplier of the College uniform and look forward to a long and positive partnership.

Yours sincerely,

Paula Bounds.

Mrs. Paula Bounds
Principal