

Rivermount College



17 November 2020

Dear Parents / Guardians,

With a very busy 2020 coming to an end, this letter contains some very important information regarding the purchase of uniforms and textbooks for students attending Rivermount College in 2021. The College offers online ordering through Flexischools to make the purchasing of textbooks and stationery more convenient to families. Parents are encouraged to purchase all of the items on the Booklist at the start of the year, as the Retail Centre will only keep a minimum quantity of stock throughout the year for new enrolments.

SCHOOL FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2021

As you are aware, the College releases details of any rise in tuition fees as part of the Chairman's address at the Annual Speech and Prize giving Awards. With the impact of COVID-19 and the limitations on award presentations, this address will not take place.

At this stage, the Board has not yet formally agreed to the fee structure for 2021, as it still seeks to assess the full impact of COVID-19 on our families and the wider community. However, I am able to confirm on behalf of the Board that the increase in fees will be kept to a minimum, and is expected to be in the order of 2%.

The Board meets again in early December 2020 after which a formal announcement on 2021 Fees and Charges will be made.

In the meantime, I again remind parents that the College understands that many families are still being impacted by COVID-19, and further financial support may be required. If this is the case, please take the time to contact the College to discuss how best we may be able to assist.

BOOKLIST AND UNIFORM INFORMATION AVAILABLE THROUGH COLLEGE WEBSITE

Essential information including Booklists, Uniform Prices and Requirements and Retail Centre details will be available on Parent Lounge and on the College website at www.rivermount.net. To access this information please click on the link [BACK TO SCHOOL 2021](#).

BOOKLISTS FOR 2021

Online ordering is available from Tuesday 17 November to Friday 11 December 2020. All orders will need to be placed via the Flexischools website at www.flexischools.com.au.

Parents please note:

- **Orders must be placed through Flexischools by 12.00pm AEST on Friday 11 December 2020.**
- Items purchased online will be ready for collection from the Retail Centre from Monday 4 January 2021. No appointment is required to collect your online order.

Parents may wish to purchase stationery from outside the College, however we have kept the cost of items as low as possible to provide families with a "one stop shop" for both textbook and stationery items. Limited second-hand textbooks may be available for purchase and this option is also available through the Flexischools system.

It should be noted that the Jacaranda Digital Bundle is a compulsory resource for Year 7 to Year 9 students. This resource is detailed on the relevant Booklists and is purchased from the Retail Centre. Jacaranda will then coordinate the issuing of student login details with the College. From 2021 all Secondary students will participate in the 1-to-1 Laptop Program.

UNIFORMS

Please note that students are required to wear the correct uniform to and from the College and in any public place visited on the way to, or from the College.

To assist parents in ensuring all students are appropriately attired, a copy of the College's *Personal Appearance and Uniform Policy* and the *Uniform Pricelist* are available through the Parent Lounge Portal and the College website. Please pay particular attention to the uniform styles that are no longer current and therefore are not permitted to be worn. Of particular importance, all boys in the Secondary School will now wear the new style formal grey sock with a navy and white trim.

SECOND-HAND ITEMS

Second-hand uniforms and textbooks will ONLY be accepted until **Thursday 3 December 2020**. All items delivered after Friday 27 November should be brought to the College Administration Office. Please note that the College cannot accept items after this date until March 2021. Items submitted for sale must be accompanied by a "Second-hand Items for Resale" form which is available through Parent Lounge and on the website. It is important to note that:

- Uniforms, textbooks and school bags must be clean and in excellent condition;
- Only current style uniforms will be accepted;
- Blazers must be dry-cleaned;
- Akubra hats must be cleaned and re-blocked;
- Books must be in very good condition and without graffiti;
- Books are sold on a consignment basis which means parents are only paid when (or if) the book is sold.

RETAIL CENTRE HOURS

The Retail Centre will be open at the following times:

Monday 4 January to Monday 25 January 2021		
<i>Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday</i>	8:00am – 12:00pm 1:00pm – 4:00pm	Appointment Required
<i>Thursday</i>	10:00am – 2:00pm 3:00pm – 7:30pm	
<i>Friday</i>	9:00am – 12:00pm 1:00pm – 4:00pm	
Wednesday 27 January to Friday 29 January 2021		
<i>Tuesday 26 January is Australia Day and the Retail Centre will be closed.</i>	7:45am – 3:45pm	No Appointment Required

For any questions regarding Booklists and Uniforms for 2021 please either email the Retail Centre on retailcentre@rivermount.qld.edu.au or phone the College Retail Centre on 3287 0075.

With best wishes



Richard Young
Principal