



Freyberg **HIGH SCHOOL**

Year 12 and 13 Mufti

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you for those who took the time to complete the survey. It certainly endorsed my feeling that we need to improve the standard of mufti. 60% of all respondents felt things had to change, 70% of parents wanted change and 80% of teachers wanted change.

It was very clear that asking boys to wear a shirt with a collar was not popular and that asking girls not to wear a hoodie was not popular. Banning all hats was a popular choice although some felt this was not being sun safe. In fact, 90% of students don't wear hats now, students are predominantly inside and there are a number of shade areas. I feel that the small percentage who do choose to wear hats create an unnecessary problem of policing for staff with some choosing a variety of beanies and caps with slogans.

It was clear that parents, teachers and the majority of students were unhappy with girls wearing low cut dresses or showing their midriff.

So, what do we expect from 2012?

All students in Year 12 and 13 must wear a reasonable standard of dress. There must be no torn clothing, no offensive slogans, no singlets, no beachwear and no facial piercings.

Students may wear hoodies but the hoods must be worn down at all times. Students may not wear hats or jandals and girls must not wear low cut tops that show their cleavage or tops that show their midriff.

As many of you have pointed out, if we have a rule it must be enforced and students who arrive at school in mufti that does not meet the standards above will be sent home to change.

Thank you again for taking the time to complete the survey.

I hope we have been able to both listen to your concerns and comments while taking steps to improve the mufti worn by students in Year 12 and 13.

Yours sincerely

Peter Brooks
Principal

P.S. It was with some amusement that I noted the survey results from those students who are currently in Year 11 indicated they did not want uniform in Year 12 next year but a third of Year 12 students who will be in Year 13 next year thought uniform for Year 12 was quite a good idea.

