



Montgomery High School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, I will introduce myself as Mr. Careless, the new Principal of Montgomery High School. I hope you have had a great summer and your son/daughter is well rested for the coming year ahead. I will be writing to you shortly to outline my intentions for the coming year.

I know that several parents have had problems with their child's shoes not being deemed suitable for school since the start of term. Parents of students here last year will recall the new uniform expectations being set in July and that students with inappropriate footwear were asked to sign a contract to ensure change for the new academic year. At this point students were shown, in assembly, clear pictures as to what type of shoes were suitable and which types that were not. A copy of the slides shown have been placed on our website in the information section under the uniform heading. You will see on the final slide that students were advised that if there was any doubt as to if footwear would be suitable, parents should contact school before purchasing. It is telling that the majority of students who have arrived in inappropriate footwear have admitted that they knew they would not conform to our expectations.

Hindsight is a wonderful thing, yet we acknowledge that we could have shared these pictures with parents as well as students. We will ensure we do this in the future.

I would like to thank the many parents who have remedied the situation quickly, yet realise for some that it may take a little longer to sort. The school has purchased a stock of shoes for students to wear during school hours in the meantime. The majority of parents concerned have also been contacted by Mr. Burrows or Mr. Burns.

We are working hard to ensure that high standards of uniform and appearance are set from the start of the year. Therefore, please remind your son or daughter that only one sleeper or stud ear ring is permitted in each ear and no other piercings of the face are permitted e.g. nose, tongue, eyebrows. Other jewellery should only be a wrist watch and one signet ring.

Our intention is for students in the Montgomery family to be the smartest dressed in the area and we really appreciate your continued support in realising this expectation.

Yours faithfully

Stephen Careless
Principal