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Frequently Asked Questions

What happens if I...



...arrive late to school?

If you arrive at school after the bell rings at 9.00 am you must go to Student Reception for a Late Slip. You must then:

- take it home and have it signed by your parent
- return it to Student Reception or your Pastoral Care (PC) Teacher the next day.



...can't complete my homework?

Ask your parents to write a note to your teacher explaining the circumstances.



...don't have the correct uniform?

Make sure that you bring a note from your parents explaining why you are out of uniform and when this will be rectified. Show your note to your PC teacher in Pastoral Care class in the morning. Your PC teacher will send you to your Pastoral Care Coordinator who will issue you with a Uniform Pass.



...feel sad, scared or worried and need to talk to an adult?

Talk to a teacher you trust and like or you can make an appointment to see the School Counsellor. If you would like to see the Counsellor you can ask your PC Teacher or Pastoral Care Coordinator or any teacher you trust to make a referral for you. Alternatively, you can make a request to see the Counsellor by emailing counsellor@mackillop.act.edu.au. There are also resources in the College Diary or on Canvas.



...forget my lunch?

See your Pastoral Care Coordinator who will make some arrangements for you.



...forget to remove my makeup or jewellery before I come to school?

Your teachers will ask you to go to your Pastoral Care Coordinator's Office. They will ask you to remove your makeup and/or take off non-regulation jewellery. They might confiscate the jewellery. If your jewellery is confiscated by a teacher, it will be placed in the Pastoral Care Coordinator's Office and you will need to arrange a time to have it returned to you.



...get lost?

A map of the campus is provided in the front of your student diary. Take a moment to have a look at it to find where you should be going. Ask someone for directions, they will be happy to help. Otherwise, go to Student Reception and staff will locate your class for you.



...get sick at school?

You must report to Sick Bay, located at Student Reception, where staff will take care of you and phone your parents if necessary. Remember, you need to be signed out of Sick Bay when you leave.



...have been away from school?

Parents/carers are asked to send an SMS to our Absentee Line, 0429 131 463, to explain the absence. Please state the student's name, date of absence, and reason. If a student is absent and we have not heard from you, parents/carers will receive an SMS from the College. Parents/carers are to respond to the SMS to explain the absence. Any unexplained absences will be followed up by email at the end of each week.



...have to contact my parents?

Speak to your Pastoral Care Coordinator or go to Student Reception.

What happens if I...



...lost the key to my locker or forget my combination?

If it is a lock that you provided, see your PC teacher for the spare key. Ask your PC teacher or Pastoral Care Coordinator to hold the spare key for you.



...lose my ID card?

Check with your teacher to see if it is where you think you left it. If it cannot be located go to Student Reception as items of lost property are returned there if found. New ID cards can be ordered through the Front Office. There is a cost of \$12 for each replacement ID card.



....lose equipment or uniform items?

Check with your teacher to see if it is where you think you left it. If it cannot be located go to Student Reception as items of lost property are returned there if found.



...miss the bus?

Come back to Student Reception. Staff will phone your parents so that arrangements can be made for you to get home safely.



...need to go to the toilet during class?

Ask your teacher if you may leave class. Your teacher will sign your diary noting the details.



...have Physical Education first period? Can I wear my PE uniform to school?

No. You must come to school each day in full school uniform. Time is allocated to change into PE uniform before PE lessons. If you have PE last period and are in full correct PE uniform, you are allowed to travel home in it.



...lose my bus pass?

Mostly the bus driver will let you get on the bus on the day you lose your pass. However, if you are worried, or if you are not allowed on the bus go to Student Reception where staff will organise for you to get home safely.



...need to leave school for an appointment?

Bring a letter stating the date and time that you are to leave. Show the note to your Pastoral Care teacher in the morning. Your PC teacher will sign and date it and return it to you. Show your class teacher your note before leaving the classroom and then take the note to Student Reception where you will be signed out. If you return to the school that day you must sign in again at Student Reception.



...need extra time to complete an assessment task?

You must apply for an extension before the task is due. Complete an 'Alteration to Assessment Form' (available on Canvas) and have it co-signed by your parents and submit it to the relevant Curriculum Coordinator.



...need to take medication at school?

Bring your medication to school with the form provided by the College and signed by your parents explaining

- the name of the medication,
- how many tablets are included,
- at what times the tablets are to be taken.

Give your medication to staff at Student Reception. You will need to report to Student Reception who will note each time you are issued with a tablet.

What happens if I...



...receive an after-school detention?

Your parents will be contacted to arrange the day to complete the detention. You must report to Room 4 at 3.20pm on the day of the detention and wait for a Coordinator. You will be dismissed from detention at 4.20pm.



...receive a merit point?

You will receive a "Merit Point Record" card at the start of the year. When you have received 8 Merit Points from 4 different teachers, take the card to your Pastoral Care Coordinator. You can then apply for Bronze Status, which has some privileges attached as a reward for contributing positively to College life.



...tear or damage my uniform at school?

See your Pastoral Care Coordinator or Student Reception. You may be loaned a uniform item for the remainder of the day.





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