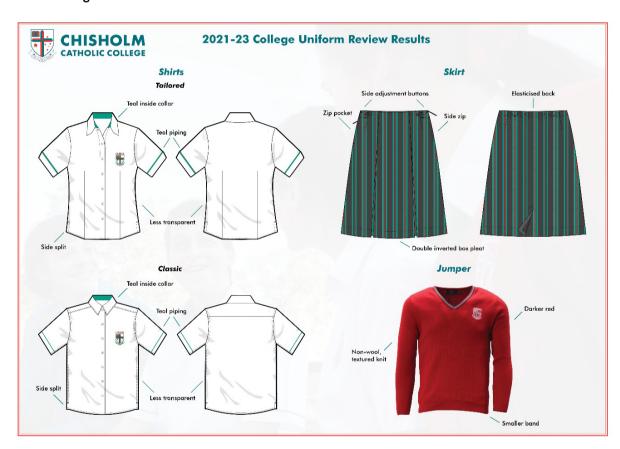


UNIFORM REVIEW 2021-2023

Timeline of Carolean Communication and other Key Procedures

2023

TERM 4 Further Images!



We have finally secured images from our suppliers and if you would like a closer look, we have mannequins displayed in the Uniform Shop and/or Front Office. The significant update for male students is the shirt and for females, it is the skirt AND shirt which can be worn year-round unlike the dress. You would have noticed, looking at the photos from the Carolean end of last term, that ONLY the new shirts have been designed to be worn out in Summer and tucked in during Winter, maintaining the College's high standard of uniform, dress and personal presentation.

A reminder that this update applies to all incoming Year 7s from 2024 onwards and only the new Uniform items will be available when replacements are required. Once the Year 7s have been fitted, existing students who wish to upgrade can also do so in 2024. If families wish to donate their summer dresses and/or old shirts, this can be facilitated through Uniform Rescue. Further details will be available next year.

TERM 3

Introducing the Images!



Finally, we have images to share with the community of the three new uniform items that resulted from the lengthy review process that began in 2021. In 2022, a survey was issued to all students, staff, parents/guardians, College Advisory Council and the Parent Engagement Group regarding the dress, skirt, shirt and jumper. From there, the Uniform Review Committee (URC) met to co-design these items, keeping in mind the initial parameters and implications for families, including equity, cost and phase-in period. This was never going to be a wholesale change, but an improvement of aspects of an already distinctive uniform toward a contemporary and practical design. Mindful of this, the uniform renewal applies to all incoming Year 7s from 2024 onwards and only the new uniform items will be available for when replacements are required. Once the Year 7s have been fitted, existing students who wish to upgrade can also do so in 2024.

A sincere thanks to the URC who were entrusted with the task of updating these items, keeping at the forefront almost 35 years of tradition (we bid a fond farewell to the dress) and preparing potentially for the next 35 years! Gratitude must also be given to the Year 11s who generously donated their time on several occasions to trial samples and provide useful feedback, your assistance has been crucial to this process (four of them are in these photographs that represent the summer and winter options). This is an exciting time for the College community and we look forward next year to seeing the new uniform elements en masse, initially amongst the Year 7s.

TERM 2

The Uniform Review Committee is pleased to report that the design process has now concluded! The students who were involved in the initial feedback kindly wore the latest samples to ascertain whether the refinements they suggested worked. No further adjustments are needed so our designers will be providing the College with images next term to show the

community. We look forward to sharing them and as you can appreciate, change can cause a wide range of sentiment, so your continued support is appreciated.

TERM 1

As mentioned at the conclusion of last year, we are almost at the end phase of the design process. We were waiting on some samples for students to trial and this occurred earlier this term. Their feedback regarding the skirts and shirts were useful and resulted in further refinement. We should receive the updated versions by the end of term/beginning of next, so that those same students can wear the new samples for an extended period, in case additional adjustment is needed. We look forward to being able to show you images soon and once again thank you for your support as we move toward an improved Chisholm uniform.

2022

Mr Bormolini's End of Year Letter to Community

"The Uniform Review Committee that began its consultation in 2021 is almost at the end design process and change planning. That process determined that certain items of our Chisholm uniform needed to be refreshed to make them more contemporary, equitable and better suited to our climate. We continue to be mindful of cost and a reasonable phase in period, so whilst we aim to fit the 2024 Year 7s with the new uniform items, it would not be fair to offer discontinued stock for sale to everyone else. Only new uniform items will be available when replacements are required. The committee will continue to keep everyone informed about the changes that will occur."

TERM 4

The Uniform Review Committee is almost at the end phase of the design process. A reminder that the three uniform elements that are being updated include the skirt, shirt and jumper and we hope to get students to trial some samples next year for final refinement. Whilst there are no images yet to share, we revealed last term that the skirt will be a darker charcoal skirt with College colours forming stripes, a less transparent white shirt with a teal inside collar and a non-wool darker red jumper. Further to this the skirt will have a front box pleat, the shirt will include teal piping on the sleeves and the jumper a textured knit. Materials of all these uniform items have been chosen for our climate and quality to survive wear and tear. Mr Bormolini, in his end of year parent letter, will remind the community of the timeline and thank you again for your support toward an improved Chisholm uniform.

TERM 3

Progress continues with the uniform review and decisions are being made around design and material which continues to reference survey feedback. We are exploring a darker charcoal skirt with College colours forming stripes, a less transparent white shirt with a teal inside collar and a non-wool darker red jumper. As previously advised by our Principal, the new uniform will be phased in starting with the Year 7s in 2024. We are at an exciting point in this process and hope to be able to share images soon.

Mr Bormolini's Carolean "From the Principal"

"As publicised to families on earlier occasions, the College Uniform Review Committee has continued with the process of reviewing and evaluating design improvements for our student uniform, in line with survey feedback and what we believe will work best. This process, it must be stressed again, is not about a complete change to new colours or a completely different style in every garment but rather refreshing our distinctive and attractive uniform, in a more practical and contemporary way, something that many members of our community have requested for some time.

We are now at the point of looking very carefully at these individual improvements via real samples and the coming six-month period will confirm what those improvements will look like.

Importantly, the Committee and College Executive are finalising what would be most appropriate in terms of adopting the updated uniform elements, with particular attention to minimising the financial impost and providing a reasonable phase in period. It is looking increasingly likely that this phase in will begin from the beginning of 2024, commencing with Year 7s only."

TERM 2

The Uniform Review Committee has steadily been making progress toward potential design improvements in alignment with survey feedback. To further guide the review process, our Uniform Shop Manager sourced samples of skirts, shirts and jumpers of varying material, shapes and sizes for consideration. We are still in the early stages and continue to be mindful of previously advertised parameters such as cost and phase-in period. The Uniform Review Committee will continue to update the College community as together we continue the journey toward a refreshed Chisholm uniform.

Survey results collated.

TERM 1

- Survey of students, parents, staff.
- Letter to Community re Uniform Review on website <u>here</u>.

2021

Mr Bormolini's Letter to Community – Term 4 2021

"Following various discussions and input from our Parent Engagement Group, the College is undertaking a review of our College Uniform. The process of review which has already commenced with the formation of an initial Uniform Review Committee will also seek further input directly from parents and students. This review will consider various elements of the uniform with a view to improvement and not necessarily wholesale change. Clearly, any change no matter how small has implications for families and careful consideration needs to be given to all aspects including the timeline or phase-in periods, specific cost and a process that minimizes the impact on parents and students."

TERM 4

- Committee formed.
- Samples of designs and fabrics discussed.

TERM 3

Initial survey determining parameters of review.

TERM 2

Research Uniform review processes of other schools.