The start of this school year has seen an increase in variation to the school uniform in regard to the formal school shoe and the sports shoe students are wearing. This email is to provide some clarity and reinforce the college uniform policy and expectations of all students for their formal and sport uniform. It may therefore require action on your behalf.

As per the Parent Handbook in regard to uniform;

- 'Formal shoes must be plain, black leather, <u>raised heel</u>, lace up, and enclosed. All shoes must be in good condition and without graffiti. NB: Due to workplace health and safety requirements, thick-soled/platform/buckled shoes or "skate" shoes are not permitted'
- 'Sport shoes must be suitable for sport and physical activity. This does NOT include skate shoes, or canvas style high tops, lace ups or slip on shoes'

I understand many shops are now branding and selling styles of black leather shoes as 'school shoes', and that your child has perhaps informed you that some alternate styles are okay to be worn, however these variations do not fit the guidelines above and have not been communicated to students that they are now accepted. These typically include the flat soled 'skate style' shoe, and black branded runners / sneakers.

Please refer to the diagrams below on all styles that are in fact NOT ACCEPTABLE as formal shoes, and also some inclusions in the Primary School at Mueller College.

FORMAL Shoes – styles NOT accepted (and any similar variations):



Primary Formal Shoe Inclusions

Due to the physically active nature of Primary students, the following styles of shoes are acceptable to meet the needs of young, growing and active feet.











Due to the fact that a lot of you have outlaid money weeks ago on your child's uniform needs, which may have included new formal school shoes (some of which are incorrect styles), it is expected that by the start of Term 2 all students wearing incorrect formal shoes will have these rectified, and be wearing correct formal footwear to start the new Term. This provides Eight weeks to purchase the correct style of shoe.

After this time, students will receive the usual consequences for incorrect uniform.

If you have any queries or require further clarification before making a new purchase, please feel free to contact your Sub School Coordinator.