Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We are happy to see our students engaged in their learning and happy to be in school. We would like to address a few school related issues as a reminder to our parents as well as to inform our new parents of some school expectations.

**Hats:**
During Terms One and Four we have a “No Hat No Play” policy. So if your child does not wear a hat, he/she will not be able to play and will be asked to sit in the shade. Therefore please send a hat with your child.

**Arriving late:**
Please note that our school bell goes at 8:55 a.m. Arriving late will mean students will miss out on the morning routines which is an important part of their day. Also please feel free to make an appointment with your child’s teacher if you need to see her since teachers cannot discuss any issues during instruction time. This time is for your children to learn from their teachers and cannot be used to give feedback to parents.

**Hair Style:**
According to our school behaviour management policy, girls are supposed to come to school with their hair tied to the back. As for the boys, wearing gel/wax is not allowed and also fancy hair-cuts are not accepted either. Having a hair-cut that does not comply with our behaviour management policy will result in banning the students from going to the oval until their hair is corrected. Please see Ms Zaynura; our college secretary if you would like to have a copy of our behaviour management policy.

**THESE HAIR STYLES ARE NOT ALLOWED AT PINNACLE COLLEGE**

Gelled hair
A Line
Short on the sides, long from the top

CONTINUED OVERLEAF - PLEASE TURN OVER
Car Park:
A friendly reminder that the speed limit in the school carpark is 5km/h and parents are supposed to park their car and walk into the school to pick their children up. Parking in front of the gate and waiting for the children to get into the car is not allowed as well as waiting for your children in your car and expecting them to walk to you is not permitted.

Fighting:
Some of our students mentioned to their teachers that their parents have told them that if a student hits them they are supposed to hit back. Please be aware that hitting/fighting at school will result in an internal suspension regardless of whether the student started the fight or retaliated and hit back. While I highly respect the way you raise your children and what you tell them to do, I am stressing that you stop telling your children to hit back as this is against our school rules and expectations from our students. If they get hit or bullied, they are to report to a teacher instead of retaliating and hitting back. This is a safer and more educational approach. Teachers and parents play a huge role in their children’s life and working together and addressing issues in a similar manner will only benefit your child. Please do not hesitate to make an appointment with me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Carer:
If your child is picked up by any person other than yourself, please make sure we have all the information about this person and their relation to your child and whether or not they will be picking them up at all times. This is imperative and we will not be allowing children to be picked up unless we have the completed form sent to the office.

Yours faithfully

Racha Makki
Behaviour Coordinator