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Our VALUES

- Value Each Other
- Aim High
- Lead by Example
- Use and Develop Your Talents
- Excel in Your Efforts
- Stick at It

To live by our VALUES, we are committed to being:

- ✓ **kind** and **respectful** to all
- ✓ **proud** of our appearance and our environment
- ✓ **ambitious** for ourselves and for others
- ✓ **positive role models** and **ambassadors**, inside and outside of the Collegiate
- ✓ **determined** to give our best efforts in all we do as **we strive for excellence** every day
- ✓ **resilient**, and **demonstrating perseverance** in the face of challenge



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A clear and well-established set of
VALUES

A simple set of
systems that promote
outstanding basics
and being
Riddlesdown Ready

A culture of
*unconditional positive
regard*

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In the Classroom – At Riddlesdown We...

- Arrive promptly, take off coats, put bags on the floor and take out the equipment we need for our lesson, demonstrating that we are ***Riddlesdown Ready***
- **Engage immediately** with any starter task we've been given
- Give our **best efforts** with the work we've been set
- **Listen respectfully** to instructions and guidance from our teachers
- **Respond positively** when asked to contribute
- **Listen respectfully** whenever our peers are making a contribution



In the Classroom – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We value the efforts that teachers have gone to in planning our learning
- We are grateful for the opportunities to enhance our learning experiences
- We are respectful of everybody's right to learn



Uniform – At Riddlesdown We...

- Wear our blazer at all times
- Keep our shirt tucked in at all times
- Wear our tie at all times
- Wear our skirts and trousers at the appropriate length and height at all times
- Wear tights OR socks
- Wear plain black low-heeled school shoes
- Adhere to the jewellery rule of one small pair of studs in each ear, a watch and nothing else



Uniform – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We take pride in our school and our appearance
- Wearing a uniform promotes a sense of belonging and community
- Having a school uniform promotes inclusivity, discipline and professionalism
- Adhering to expectations consistently helps avoid negative interactions and keeps the focus on learning



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Mobile Phones – At Riddlesdown We...

- Turn our mobile phones off upon entry to the school
- Keep our mobile phones **out of sight** until we have left the school site at the end of the day



Mobile Phones – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We value the opportunity to have screen free time
- We have greater levels of present moment awareness
- Our concentration improves
- We can make deeper connections and have better interactions
- Time away from our phones promotes mental well-being



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Communication – At Riddlesdown We...

- **Stop and listen** when an adult asks to speak with us
- Engage positively with people we are speaking to and allow people to speak **without interrupting**
- Think carefully about our use of language to ensure we are being **respectful**
- Say '**excuse me**' when you need the attention of an adult
- Use '**please**' and '**thank you**'
- Use '**Miss**' and '**Sir**' when interacting with adults
- Use positive body language – eye contact and facing each other - to demonstrate our levels of **respect for others**



Communication – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We value each other and the need to be polite at all times
- We want to make sure we treat everyone in the way we wish to be treated ourselves
- We know it is important that everyone is made to feel valued and respected



Lesson Transitions – At Riddlesdown We...

- Walk **straight to our next lesson**, without stopping
- Adhere to any no entry restrictions
- **Walk** on the left-hand side of corridors
- **Walk** in a way that ensures people can move along both sides of the corridor



Lesson Transitions – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We understand that being prompt to a lesson is a demonstration of respect for our teachers and our peers
- We value the learning opportunities available to us and want to maximise these
- We want to ensure that all members of our community can move around our school site safely



The Diner & The Cube – At Riddlesdown We...

- **Walk and calmly queue** for The Diner and The Cube in single file lines, ensuring we're being respectful of those around us
- Only enter The Diner or The Cube **when invited to do so** by a member of staff
- Sit down to eat and ensure **all litter** is put in the bins provided
- Eat our **food inside** The Diner or The Cube



The Diner & The Cube – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We value the need for everyone to access these facilities safely
- We respect staff who are working in these spaces to ensure we have these facilities available
- Keeping these spaces clean and tidy is the responsibility of ALL of us
- We value our school environment and want to maintain clean, safe and positive social and learning spaces



Social Time – At Riddlesdown We...

- Enjoy time with our friends in a **calm and safe manner**
- Interact positively with peers, **sharing social spaces fairly and respectfully**
- Play sports in the designated areas, e.g. the astro or the sportshall
- Only access the field when allowed to do so
- Take part in the variety of co-curricular activities on offer
- **ALL** make sure we put any litter in the bins provided



Social Time – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We are grateful for the opportunities to have downtime with our friends
- We respect the need for all members of our community to enjoy their social time
- We value our school environment and want to maintain clean, safe and positive social and learning spaces



Riddlesdown Ready – At Riddlesdown We...

- Make sure we **always have all of the equipment** we might need each day
- **Know our timetables** to ensure we can get to lessons promptly
- Speak to our tutor or college team if we need any support with our organisation



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Riddlesdown Ready – At Riddlesdown We...Because...

- We understand that being organised supports our chances of being successful
- We understand the need to take responsibility for our learning and the good habits that can promote
- We value being prompt to lessons

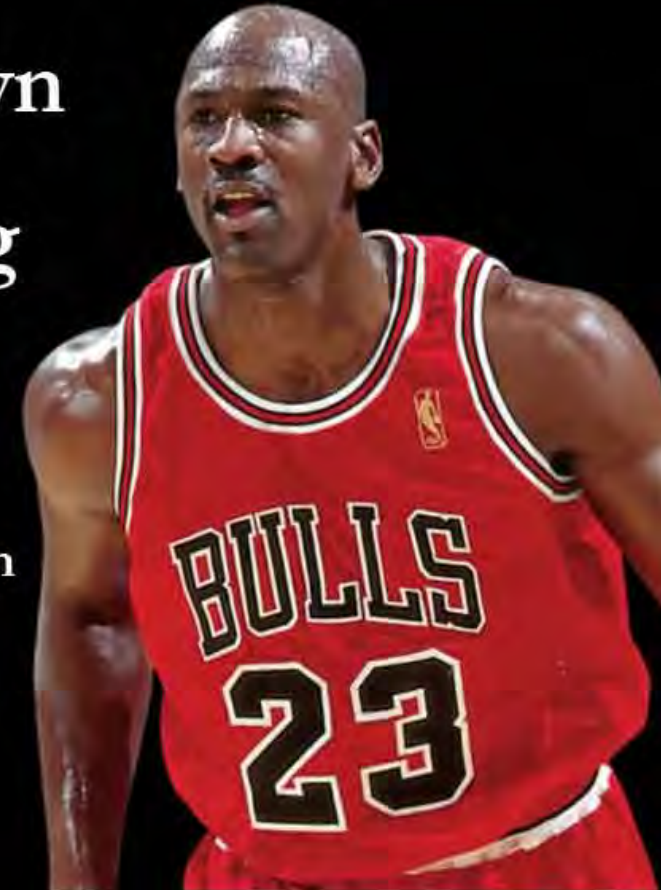


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and the level of everything
you do will rise.

~ Michael Jordan



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