

Friday 4th May 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: PE Updates

Uniform and Expectations

The PE department has recently consulted on uniform and injury/illness notes, and would like to reiterate what we expect of students in terms of PE kit, and what they should do if they are unable to take part in a lesson. Firstly, we feel it is necessary to re-establish what students should be wearing for PE as a new kit was issued last year; and this will be compulsory for year 7-10.

Students should have the following items of kit, bought from the uniform shop.

- Plain navy shorts or plain navy tracksuit bottoms - compulsory
- Plain white polo (futures logo) - compulsory
- Plain grey sports jumper (futures logo) - optional
- Navy/white sports socks - compulsory



In addition to this, students should have a suitable pair of trainers. Students are not permitted to wear leggings, hoodies or their grey school jumper. Not having the correct kit will result in a sanction.

Injury/illness notes should be written by a Parent/Carer and should be signed and dated. A single letter can cover more than one lesson if the letter clearly states this. If your son/daughter has an ongoing injury or medical condition, a letter from the doctor or hospital may be required at the teacher's discretion, students should still bring their PE kit and get changed.

If a student fails to bring in their kit, the PE department will issue them with spare clothing in order for them to participate; however, there is only a limited supply. The student will also be issued with a PE sanction. The wearing of kit makes them part of the lesson and will prevent them from getting their school uniform dirty if asked to umpire or organise teaching resources. A student may not participate in a practical lesson if an injury/illness is serious enough to prevent this, for example if they are wearing a cast.

Please help ensure that your child brings the correct kit for their lesson.

PE Lessons during Ramadan

We are aware that Ramadan will fall between the months of May and June this academic year. During Ramadan we want to support all students who choose to fast and ensure that teaching and learning is not impacted negatively for any student.

During this time, all students will be expected to bring full PE kit to all lessons whether they are fasting or not. PE teachers will be understanding and sympathetic to individual students needs and adapt student's roles to that of official or leader. This will ensure that lessons go ahead as planned and students will follow the planned curriculum.

Any student failing to bring full PE kit to the lesson will be sanctioned as per the PE department policy. We want to discourage any student arriving to school without PE kit, and fasting will not be accepted as a reason for not doing so. We ask that any student fasting takes responsibility for managing their fast, and that they ask teachers directly for any necessary support in PE lessons.

If you have any questions regarding this then please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours sincerely,

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