

GED / GPA

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Dear Parent/Carer

It has come to my attention that some students are not adhering to our uniform policy with regards to wearing the correct PE kit on days when they are timetabled to attend PE lessons.

I would like to remind you of our PE kit requirements, which are as follows:

Boys	Girls
<p>Outdoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School polo shirt • School rugby shirt • Plain black shorts • Black football socks • Football boots • Black tracksuit bottoms (over shorts) • Gum shield (recommended) <p>Indoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School polo shirt • Plain black shorts • Black football socks • Training shoes 	<p>Outdoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School sweatshirt • School polo shirt • Plain black shorts • Black football socks • Football boots (optional) • Black tracksuit bottoms (over shorts) • Gum shield (recommended) <p>Indoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School polo shirt • Plain black shorts • Black football socks • Training shoes

We have asked students to wear their PE kit on the days when they are timetabled to attend PE lessons due to Covid-19 restrictions relating to changing rooms.

We have made slight adjustments to our expectations and have allowed both boys and girls to wear plain black tracksuit bottoms over their shorts. This allows them to easily and quickly remove their tracksuit bottoms in the event of warmer temperatures. Whilst the majority of students have complied fully with our request, we unfortunately have a number of girls attending school wearing leggings, some of which are borderline indecent. I should like to be clear that the wearing of leggings for PE has **never** been permitted and continues to be prohibited.

The **only** exception to the rule regarding leggings is those Year 10 students who are studying Dance; this small group of students are permitted to either wear leggings under black tracksuit bottoms or change into leggings at the beginning of their Dance lesson. They will be expected to change out of their leggings, or put their black tracksuit bottoms back on, at the end of their Dance lesson. As this is such a small group, we feel it would be possible for them to use the changing rooms safely for this purpose as required.

Regrettably, and unless our parents and students adhere to our PE kit requirements, we may be forced to return to students attending school in their uniform and changing for PE. Due to the size of our school changing rooms, we would need to severely restrict the number of students changing at any given time. This would mean that almost the entire lesson time would be devoted to changing with hardly any time left for physical activity.

I trust that I can rely on your support to avoid such an undesirable situation.

Yours sincerely,



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