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Re: expectations for PE and school uniform

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have noticed a number of children in school who are not wearing the expected clothing, so wanted to remind families about expectations for PE and school uniform, especially for those pupils in Key Stage 2.

PE Uniform - We have a PE uniform for pupils to ensure that we have a cost effective, smart and practical PE kit that, for all classes (except EYFS) can be worn to school on pupils' timetabled PE days.

The official PE uniform consists of:

- A navy sports sweatshirt with the school logo – no hoodies please
- Navy jogging bottoms (no leggings please)
- A plain white t-shirt with a round neck;
- Navy shorts (cycling or football shorts, **just above the knee - no tiny gymnastics/hot pants shorts please**)
- 'Lightweight' Trainers (these need to be suitable for outdoor physical activity.)

To ensure that pupils look smart for morning assemblies, we would prefer it if pupils didn't attend school in just their shorts and t-shirt. **Ideally, for milder days, we would like them to wear the full kit, including jogging bottoms and sweatshirt. On warmer days, pupils can attend school wearing their shorts and jumper, the latter of which can be removed in warm weather.**

Can we also remind parents that for health and safety reasons, no jewellery should be worn for P.E. (Jewellery is limited to small studs – no dangly earrings please.) If children are unable to remove ear studs, please provide tape/plasters for your child to cover their ear jewellery.

As ever, we do not accept the wearing of false eyelashes, makeup or painted/fake nails. (Fake nails are not suitable for primary school; moreover, long nails are a hazard in PE.)

School Uniform - The standard uniform is as follows:

- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with or without the school logo – no hoodies please.
- White or royal blue polo shirt with or without the school logo
- Grey skirt/pinafore dress/culottes/trousers/tailored shorts – not leggings
- Sensible dark shoes which may be buckled, laced or slip-on – no trainers please
- Plain white/grey/black socks or black/grey tights if desired
- Blue checked dress; sensible sandals (optional for the Summer Term)

If your child needs adaptations making to our uniform for recognised sensory or additional needs, please contact your child's class teacher regarding this, so a discussion and agreement can be made.

Thank you for your anticipated support in upholding our high standards.

The Orchard Team

