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Re: Changes to PE Uniform

Dear Parents and Carers,

In response to the parent consultation that was sent at the beginning of this term regarding the wearing of PE kits for children in main school, we have taken this decision to trial the wearing of PE kit to school on PE days for the next half term. The response from parents was overwhelmingly in favour of this trial.

[Please note- This does not apply to the Woodlands Resource Base children at this time]

We have decided to trial this for several reasons outlined below.

By wearing their PE uniform to school:

- Pupils will be able to have longer for lessons as no time will be lost on changing for PE;
- It will ensure pupils' privacy and dignity as boys/girls won't need to change in mixed groups;
- There will be more space in cloakroom areas and therefore make our corridors tidier and safer with less trip hazards.
- All pupils will be wearing an appropriate kit that enables them to participate fully in lessons.

This is a summary of the changes we will be implementing:

- They will still require the full kit as the sweatshirt and jogging bottoms will be worn outside in colder weather.
- Pupils in Years R-2 are asked to wear their PE uniform to school on their two scheduled PE days. (Please see the table below which explains which days your child will need to be in PE kit
- The official PE uniform consists of: -
 - ✓ A navy / black sports sweatshirt
 - ✓ Navy/ black jogging bottoms or leggings;
 - ✓ A plain white t-shirt with a round neck;
 - ✓ Navy / black shorts (cycling shorts or football shorts, both just above the knee no tiny gymnastics shorts please) –
 - -'Lightweight' Trainers (these need to be suitable for outdoor physical activity. Black plimsolls will no longer be suitable as these are not waterproof or as practical to walk to school in/wear all day);
- Pupils can wear outdoor coats over their PE uniform to travel to school/play outside.
- Pupils should not attend school in just their shorts and t-shirt. We would like them to wear the full kit, including jogging bottoms and sweatshirt, the latter of which can be removed in warm weather.



Please see the table below which informs you of your child's PE days where they will be coming to school in their PE kit.

Class	Days to come to school in PE kit
Bumblebee Class Reception	Wednesday and Friday
Butterfly Class Reception	Thursday and Friday
Hedgehog Class Year 1	Tuesday and Wednesday
Squirrels class Year 1	Tuesday and Thursday
Fox Class Years 1 and 2	Wednesday and Thursday
Robins Class Year 2	Monday and Wednesday
Kingfishers Class Year 2	Monday and Wednesday

As ever, thank you for your support in this. It is a trial and we will let you know next term how it goes.

Mrs Ashford-Smith Head of School



