

Wadham School

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Monday 3rd October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: PE Kit – Expectations and Information

The school has received several questions regarding expectations in PE, including PE kit. This letter shares the key details, however, should you have any further questions please contact me using the email address below.

PE Kit Expectations

Essential PE Kit

Students are expected to wear full PE kit for all PE lessons. The PE kit consists of:

- Wadham PE polo shirt
- Plain black shorts or plain black skort, or plain black sports leggings
- Wadham sports socks or plain, long black sports socks
- Sports trainers (not fashion trainers)
- Studded boots for certain sports (rugby, football, hockey)

With the exception of footwear, all items above can be purchased from the school and the easiest way to order them is via your online Ipay account. However, the socks, shorts and skort, could be purchased elsewhere, as long as they meet the criteria above (i.e. plain black).

Optional PE Kit

There are also optional items which can be purchased via Ipay and worn including:

- Wadham rugby jersey
- Wadham guarter zip, long sleeve training top.

Whilst the items are considered optional, we are encouraging as many students as possible to purchase them to keep warm in the colder months. Alternatively, students could choose, for example, to wear a vest of plain black 'skins' underneath their polo top to keep warm or plain black skins.

Please note the following:

- There is no option to wear the school jumper during PE lessons
- Students who intend to represent the school at rugby will require a rugby top.
- The guarter zip training top cannot be worn for contact sports (rugby)
- There is a risk a polo shirt could get ripped playing rugby, this is very unlikely with a rugby jersey

Other Key Information

- Students with long hair will need to bring a hair band and tie it up for every lesson
- All jewellery (including watches etc) will need to be removed for every PE lesson
- False or long nails are not permitted as part of the wider uniform policy and therefore are not allowed in PE
- Students who forget all or part of their PE kit, will receive a "Ready" tick on their Wadham Behaviours Card, and risk a detention if 3 marks are reached.

We are encouraging all students to check their timetable every evening and pack their PE bag the night before as required.



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Students will not receive a "Ready" tick if they bring a note from a parent or carer explaining why they have not got their full PE kit.

Students who do not have kit will be expected to borrow spare PE kit from the department.

If a student is ill or injured they must have a note from their parent or carer. Students should still bring their PE kit to the lesson and their PE teacher will decide if it is safe and appropriate to get changed.

Where appropriate, these students will still take part in their PE lesson, for example by coaching, leading or officiating.

Personal Protective Equipment

To keep students safe, it is **strongly recommended** that students purchase and wear the following when participating in the following sports in lessons:

- Hockey (shin pads and gum shield)
- Rugby (gum shield)
- Football (shin pads)

These PPE items are **compulsory** for students who choose to represent the school and play competitive fixtures.

If you are experiencing financial hardship with purchasing kit, please contact the school office, as help may be available.

Thank you in advance for your support

Yours sincerely

Mr Owen

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