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Dear Parent/Carer

Weldon Village Academy has high expectations of its student body when it comes to school uniform. The PE kit is part of the school uniform, and it is important that your child has the correct kit and suitable footwear to be able to participate in their PE lessons. The PE kit has changed slightly this year to the following:

Compulsory:

- WVA logo PE polo shirt
- WVA logo PE $\frac{3}{4}$ long sleeved zip top
- Plain navy sports shorts (**black shorts and cycling shorts will not be permitted**)
- Plain navy knee length sports socks or black ankle sports socks
- Suitable footwear for the activity being undertaken; trainers, astro trainers or football boots, 'grip socks'

Optional (though recommended for colder weather):

- Plain navy tracksuit bottoms (**black tracksuits bottoms will not be permitted**)
- Plain navy full-length sports leggings (**black leggings will not be permitted**)

Please note that small logos on shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings are permitted, but these should not be bigger than 5cm. Students wishing to continue to wear their school skorts, shorts or tracksuit bottoms may do so, but they will no longer be available for purchase from KS School Wear once the current stock runs out. Skorts are not suitable for many of the activities/sports that is covered in the PE curriculum, so it is recommended that students have navy shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings as an alternative.

All students will be taking part in football and rugby lessons on the school field, and we recommend that your child has a suitable pair of studded boots or astro trainers and shin pads to ensure their safety whilst participating. Furthermore, all students will be taking part in gymnastics. The expectations are that this activity is done in bare feet. If your child does not want to participate in bare feet, then we will allow them to bring 'grip socks' to school for these lessons. However, if they forget them then they will need to participate in bare feet. Failure to comply will mean consequences as part of our behaviour system.

Students will also be expected to remove all jewellery, including plastic retainers, to participate in their PE lessons. Taping jewellery is not permitted. This is to ensure that students can participate safely without the risk of injury to themselves or other students. Where students have had new piercings, this may temporary limit what practical activities they can do until the piercing has healed and it can be removed. Students will still be expected to bring their kit and participate in leadership activities.

If your child is ill or injured, please email enquiries@weldonva.org for the attention of their PE teacher. Students should still be bringing their PE kit and changing where possible and will be given alternative activities to do within the lesson. These may include leadership tasks such as helping with equipment, officiating games or coaching small groups.

As I am sure that you are aware, as a department we are striving to achieve the highest standards possible and this starts with all students participating in the correct PE uniform, as stated on the school website, and taking part in the full PE curriculum to maximise their experience and physical capabilities.

Please can I remind you that it is your responsibility to ensure that your child is provided with the correct PE uniform and that they bring it to each of the two PE lessons that they participate in per week. I hope that by bringing this to your attention we can work together to ensure that your child has all the correct PE uniform for their PE lessons in the future.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely



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