



Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Temporary PE Kit Arrangements During Forecast Heatwave

Due to the high temperatures forecast over the coming days, we have taken the decision to allow students to attend school in their academy PE kit for the duration of this week. This adjustment is being made to help ensure students remain comfortable and able to engage positively in their learning throughout the school day.

Students choosing to wear PE kit must ensure that it is their **full, correct academy PE uniform** and that it is worn in a smart and appropriate manner. Expectations regarding presentation, conduct and readiness to learn remain unchanged.

Please note that clothing such as non-school sportswear, branded leisurewear, cycling shorts, crop tops, football kits or other non-uniform items are not permitted. World Cup Wednesday will continue as planned so students can wear a football shirt for their chosen country/t-shirt of their country's colour for Wednesday only.

Students who arrive at school wearing clothing that does not meet our expectations will be required to return home to change into appropriate academy uniform before returning to lessons.

We would also encourage students to:

- Bring a refillable water bottle to school each day.
- Apply sunscreen before arriving at school where appropriate.
- Make use of shaded areas during break and lunchtime.
- Follow staff guidance regarding hydration and wellbeing throughout the day.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain our high standards while ensuring students remain safe and comfortable during the period of exceptionally warm weather. Any need to extend this arrangement will be communicated home as weather forecasts are reviewed.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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