



3rd September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

As we try to develop opportunities, experiences and facilities for our students, we have decided that now is an appropriate time to give the school changing rooms a much-needed upgrade. There has been a lot of work involved in ensuring that the new changing rooms offer what is required to maximise the experience of students at Mark Rutherford School.

Work for this started in the summer holidays and is expected to take several weeks to complete into the new academic year. To provide clarity and consistency, we have outlined the PE kit standards below to ensure that the PE curriculum is able to run smoothly until the work is complete, and we are able to access the new build.

- Pupils are asked to wear their Mark Rutherford School PE Uniform to school **on their two scheduled PE days**. (These days can be found on your child's timetable).
- 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.
- Football boots are still a compulsory item of PE kit. These must be brought into school on PE days. (I suggest a separate bag to keep the rest of their school equipment clean).
- To fully participate and benefit from these activities, it is important that your child wears the full and correct PE kit. All pupils will be expected to take part in all PE lessons at Mark Rutherford School. This also means that if pupils do not feel well or have an injury, they are expected to have their PE kit and take an active part in the lesson but in a different role, such as officiating, umpiring, assistant coach, performance analyst, and activities that will be suitable for them to undertake, which will allow them to continue with their learning.
- **Hair and Jewellery:** Long hair must be tied back securely during PE lessons to avoid accidents and distractions. Jewellery, including necklaces, bracelets, and earrings, should be removed for safety reasons.

We kindly request your cooperation in ensuring that your child meets the PE kit standards mentioned above. By doing so, you contribute to the overall effectiveness and safety of our PE curriculum.

We are looking forward to seeing all of the students looking smart and wearing the School PE kit for their PE lessons when we return to the School in September 2024.

We understand that circumstances may arise where a student is unable to meet the prescribed PE kit standards due to unforeseen reasons. In such cases, please contact us to discuss the situation, and we will try to work together to find a suitable solution. Our PE kit is part of the school's uniform policy and we do expect all students to wear the full correct PE uniform in PE lessons and for school sports activities and competitions.

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Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Yours faithfully



Mr Gale
Head of PE

Boys PE

- Rugby Outdoor Sports Top with logo
- Black ¼ Zip Outdoor Top with logo (can only purchase from Your School Uniform supplier)
- Black Shorts
- Long Plain Black Socks
- PE Polo Shirt (black with school logo)
- Plain Black Tracksuit Bottoms – (Optional)
- Sensible Trainers – (Not canvas or plimsols)
- Football Boots with rubber moulded studs

Girls PE

- Rugby Outdoor Sports Top with logo
- Black ¼ Zip Outdoor Top with logo (can only purchase from Your School Uniform supplier)
- Black Shorts (not cycling style or legging shorts)
- Plain Black Skort
- Long Plain Black Socks
- PE Polo Shirt (black with school logo)
- Sport Leggings with logo (Optional can be purchased from Your School Uniform supplier)
or black opaque leggings.
- Plain Black Tracksuit Bottoms (Optional)
- Sensible Trainers – (Not canvas or plimsols)
- Football Boots with rubber moulded studs

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