

PE Kit Update

20th May 2020

Dear Parents

As you are aware, our PE uniform has been transitioning over the past 18 months from the old navy-blue kit to the new black attire. In the original timeline that I communicated to parents back in January 2019, the last date for being allowed to wear the navy logoed clothing was the end of this summer term (17th July 2020.)

With the current situation in mind, where many families financial situation is under pressure, as well as not being able to access the uniform shop to try items on, we feel that it would be better to move this date to Christmas, giving families more time and opportunity.

The kit rules that have been in place since September 2019 will stand until Christmas. A reminder that no non-logoed items are to be worn (apart from the shadow stripe shorts, socks and underlayers.) Only CCS logoed clothing in either Navy or Black. *The current Year 7 will still need to be in entirely black kit as will the new September intake.* From January 2021 all students in Years 7-10 will be required to have the black logoed kit items. We will make an exception, under the circumstances, for the students who will be in Year 11 from this September. The exception being that they can continue with the navy logoed items they may still have until they leave in May. All other kit rules still apply to them, as they have since last September.

The PE department have been really pleased to see the large majority of our students follow these rules. There have been a handful of students who have tried to wear non-logoed joggers and jumpers as well as the wrong shorts (only shadow stripe shorts are allowed and these can be purchased on amazon for under £3.) **Please do not allow your child to come in with the wrong kit – they will not be allowed to wear it.** Having that conversation at the beginning of the lesson causes unwanted friction between teacher and pupil.

I hope this eases the pressure somewhat and means you can spread out any new purchases you may need over the next eight months.

Can I please ask that ALL kit is labelled ahead of students returning to school. At the end of every day we have items of kit that have been left by students, and it is near impossible to reunite them with their owner, which we know is frustrating to parents. Named items that we find are always kept aside and given back to their owner. I would suggest marker penned names on the labels if you can.

Thank you for your continued support. The department look forward to seeing all the students again and hope that you and your families are keeping safe and well during these difficult times.

Kind Regards

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