

November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Sports PE Uniform and Sports Updates

I am writing to update you on the development of our Academy PE kit.

At present boys and girls must wear the academy polo shirt with logo and the academy black shorts or academy skort. The Vale unisex ¼ zip top with logo is available to purchase and is recommended especially in the colder months but can be worn anytime throughout the year. These remain unchanged and are the only items to be worn inside and outside, we will not accept jumpers of own brands etc.

There are to be a few changes following consultation with and feedback from students and parents. The first is the introduction of track pants and leggings. The leggings are mainly for the female students and the track pants can be worn by both sexes. These can be worn anytime throughout the year, whether lessons are inside or outside and can be worn in place of the shorts/skort. These will be available to buy from the school uniform shop from Friday 29 November 2019 and can be worn straight away.



Track pants



Leggings

However, we will be using 2019-2020 academic year as a "bedding in" period for these new items and will allow students to wear just **plain black** leggings or **black** tracksuit bottoms until July 2020. The track suit bottoms can have a small logo on. From September 2020, students will **only** be allowed to wear the academy clothing as stipulated in this letter and the student planner will reflect this.

At present the socks policy in the planner is white socks or plain black knee socks. However, please can we ask for students to only bring a pair of plain black socks (preferably long black socks)? These should be worn for every lesson.

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Indoor trainers are to be used in the sports hall and gymnasium, boots and studs are only permitted on the grass. On the astro turf we only accept astro turf boots or trainers. Other items which are of use are shin pads for a range of sports and a gum shield for rugby if students would like to wear one.

Please can I ask parents to label all their son's/daughter's clothing so that we can identify any items left behind and ensure these get back to the correct owner. Also, please can PE kits be stored in a PE bag which can be stored in your child's locker. This must be collected before the lesson so students arrive on time.

All these items can be purchased from our school uniform shop; Keal Teamwear at 105 Walmgate, York YO1 9UA. I have attached a full order form and prices to this letter for your reference. These can be ordered and seen online at www.keal-teamwear.com/schoolwear

Sports Updates

Please find below the lunchtime and afterschool sports and enrichment timetable until Christmas. Students can get involved every night – it would be great to see more attendees! The timetable can be found on the school website and is updated each half term.

Extra Curricular Sports Club (November – December 2019)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PE AFTER SCHOOL (November to December 2019)	HC - Trampolining (Gym) CB - Badminton club (SH) BP – Ultimate Frisbee (Astro)	(SH)	MR - Dofe Bronze – (G41) LD – Fitness and Boxercise (Gym)	MR and ED– Rugby Club (Field) LD – KS4 Netball (SH)	MR - Football Friday (Astro) MH - Basketball (Sports Hall)

(3pm – 4pm, PE kit needed)

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH TIME SESSIONS (1.15-1.45)	MR Silver DOFE (Once a month) G41	LD / MR Year 11 GCSE Intervention (G41)	MR Morocco 2021 meeting (G41)		MR Year 9 & 10 GCSE intervention (G41)

Lastly, we are setting up a google classroom for parents to join which will be a sports fixture/clubs information page. This will soon go live and once we have the access code we will email this for you to join to help improve communication.

If you want to discuss any contents of this letter please don't hesitate to contact myself on 01904 560000 or at m.rampling@voy.hlt.academy

Yours sincerely,

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