



9th September 2020

Update re: PE Kit Policy

To all parents and carers,

It has been lovely this week to slowly start bringing our school community back together. Year 7 and our new Year 12s have settled very well since Monday and each day sees the return of more year groups. From tomorrow our full school community will be back together for the first time since March, and we are really looking forward to seeing everyone.

As a school we, along with our Trust, are constantly reflecting on actions we have taken and as such are open to accepting feedback and making new changes. We have our students at the forefront of every decision with our principle of Child First >> Child Safe >> Adult Safe as guidance. With this in mind I am writing to inform you of a change we are making to our policy around PE kit.

From Thursday 10th September for PE students may now either:

- Continue to just change into trainers for PE and complete the lessons in their school trousers and school shirt. We have amended the curriculum so no contact sports will be played and students will complete PE lessons in a safe manner.

Or

- Attend school wearing PE kit on days of PE lessons but the school blazer must also still be worn all day. Students should only wear the Holcombe PE Kit under their blazer and if they want to wear a tracksuit as well then it should be either the official Holcombe tracksuit or one that is plain and dark in colour. No items of clothing with logos or hoodies should be worn.

This choice is at the discretion of students and parents.

The Holcombe PE Kit is:

- Holcombe PE top or rugby shirt
- Holcombe PE shorts
- Black socks
- Trainers
- Holcombe tracksuit or plain dark tracksuit if desired – no hoodies

Please note; Shin pads or gum shields will not be needed for now as no contact sports are taking place.

Maintaining high standards of uniform is an important part of the overall aspirations here at Holcombe. Most importantly our uniform reflects our identity as a community and encourages students to take pride in themselves and their school.



Thank you for your ongoing support during these uncertain times, and to those who have continued to provide feedback as we have taken the steps to reopen this week. Should you have any further concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mr L .Preston
Principal