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Dear Parents/Carers

Introduction of the new St James' PE Kit

As you will know from previous communications, the school PE Kit will be changing. The current kit is now outdated and we want to offer a smarter and more practical kit to our students and families. This decision has not been taken lightly and has involved working with staff, parents, students and Governors.

The PE kit is available to purchase from Easter 2020. However, to limit the financial impact on families of this change, we are planning a phased implementation of the new kit with the expectation that all current kit is replaced by **September 2021**. This will allow time for pupils to outgrow their current kit.

The kit will be compulsory for the Year 7 intake in September 2020.

The full kit list is detailed below and items marked with a * are the new items and are available to purchase from our authorised uniform suppliers either in-store or online. Details and links can be found on the school website.

<p>Girls PE Kit (Compulsory)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PE Tee* • Skort* • Sports trainers • ¼ Zip top* • White ankle socks AND games socks* • Shin pads (optional) • Gum shield (optional) • Astro trainers (recommended) • <i>Bobble – blue or black (hair must be tied back for PE lessons)</i> 	<p>Boys PE Kit (Compulsory)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PE Tee* • Shorts* • Multisport top* • Sports trainers • White ankle socks AND Games socks* • Shin pads • Gum shield (optional) • Astro trainers (recommended) • Football boots
<p>Girls PE Kit (Optional)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leggings* • Shorts* 	

Could I take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your continued support. We fully understand the inconvenience that these changes sometimes cause but we hope the phased transition makes this process more manageable whilst providing a higher quality kit.

Yours sincerely

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