



Monday 12th December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

PE is a statutory part of the curriculum and children are entitled to 2 hours of PE each week from KS1 upwards. The PE department have noticed that throughout school there are some children who are regularly forgetting their PE kits and this is having a detrimental effect on their learning as it may be that children cannot participate without the correct clothing. It is compulsory that children are required to have their PE kit in school.

The school has adopted the following uniform for PE lessons:

- A plain white t-shirt or navy school PE t-shirt
- A pair of navy or white PE shorts
- A pair of trainers. NB - Converse style trainers are not best suited for PE.
- During winter months; children may wear a pair of navy jogging bottoms and a navy jumper.'

We have numerous children throughout school who are turning up to their PE lesson in their school shoes. This is a serious health and safety risk and can result in serious slips, trips and falls. It is part of the school's uniform policy, that every pupil should be fully equipped with the required PE kit for every lesson. Also, earrings must be able to be removed by the pupil prior to them participating in PE lessons, or in any other sporting activity.

This is monitored; therefore if a pupil does not have the required kit or cannot remove earrings, then this will result in an initial verbal reminder to the child, followed by a letter to parents/carers if the reminder proves to be unsuccessful. Pupils who still do not have PE kit to change into will need to borrow the school's spare PE kit. All spare kit is washed and dried after another pupil wears it, to ensure cleanliness.

We really appreciate those who do bring their PE kits to school on all occasions and want to make sure that this does not go unnoticed, therefore children who bring their PE kits every week may be rewarded with opportunities to go on external sporting trips, such as Swimming, Trampoline Park, Climbing, Panathlon, and Football Matches, to name a few we offer here at Riverside Bridge.

It is recommended that PE kits are brought to school on a Monday and left until Friday, especially with additional sporting events coming up in the next half term, it is essential that all pupils have the correct clothing available to them.

Spare kit

If you have any spare PE kit, we would be grateful if people could donate, so that we have some spare kit for children to use if they forget their own. This is a great way to ensure that all children are able to access their learning and other events we provide. Please leave it at School Reception for Mr Flowers

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself or your class teacher.

Kind regards
Mr R Flowers
PE Lead