28th June 2017

Dear Parents/ Carers

I just wanted to thank you for your support over the new PE uniform and to remind you about the PE Kit sizing event on Thursday 29th June 2017, from 3:00 - 6:00pm and Monday 3rd July 2017, 6:00 – 7:30pm, both in the Drama Studio.

We have made a couple of amendments in terms of the roll out.

**The new PE kit is compulsory for**:

**Year 7**

September 2017

**Year 8-10**

January 2018, although we recommend that **all** students have the new kit from September 2018.

**GCSE Year 11 PE**

All students doing GCSE PE in Year 11 will need to have the new PE Kit from September 2017.

**Year 11 Core PE**

We will be flexible where possible on PE kit and understand that the students have a short time left. We would like all students to purchase the new kit, however we understand Parental concerns/requests. We would like all students to have a PE T-shirt which can be worn with navy shorts, leggings or the current PE Kit.

**Students representing the School Teams**

We would expect that any student who represents the school, to purchase the new kit from September 2017.

I also wanted to inform you about a couple of other changes I am making to the school uniform and am also going to take the opportunity to remind you of the current regulations around what is and is not acceptable practice.

**Changes from September 2017**

Ankle socks are no longer permitted with skirts. Students will be permitted to wear plain black knee socks or plain black 60 or more denier tights. Plain black ankle socks are only permitted with black trousers and are the only colour that is allowed to be worn. Over the knee socks are not permitted.

**Skirts**

The Oakleigh School Skirt is the skirt for Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School and can be purchased through our website link: [www.boteler.org.uk/school-uniform](http://www.boteler.org.uk/school-uniform) or from [www.priceandbuckland.co.uk](http://www.priceandbuckland.co.uk) knee length or longer length. Price and Buckland only stock the correct or longer length.

If a skirt is deemed too short, then the person will be given a pair of tights to wear until the issue can be rectified.

We will have a supply of tights and socks which will be issued should a student not comply with the rules.

**Footwear**

Trainers and boots or canvas shoes are not permitted at any time, this includes any footwear with a sport logo on. If your son/daughter comes to school in footwear which does not fit the uniform policy, they will have to change into our supply of shoes until the issue is rectified.

**Jewellery**

No jewellery of any description is allowed except a wrist watch. Any young person who doesn’t conform to the rules will be requested to comply. If this is not the case the young person will be isolated until it can be rectified. We recommend that piercings are carried out in the school Summer Holiday so that there are no issues.

We really appreciate your support with our High Expectation, High Aspirations, High Standards as this is fundamental in us becoming outstanding.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher