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Dear Parent/Carer

Following the recent communication regarding learners coming to school in PE kits on the day that they have PE, I would like to thank you for taking time to share your views and concerns.

I am delighted that there have been numerous positive comments from parents about this change, which other schools within our Trust have already implemented.

We acknowledge that there was a short turnaround time, and upon reflection, appreciate that a consultation period may have been appropriate. However, as there is no additional cost due to this change (the PE element of our uniform policy has not changed in recent years), we felt it was something that could be implemented quickly. I would like to apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.

As with every change, we appreciate there may be teething problems and points which need clarity. Having reviewed recent queries from parents, I can confirm that:

- Our uniform policy (available on the website here) states that tracksuits of a dark colour can be worn in cold weather. Therefore, learners are not required to sit all day in shorts and T-shirt.
- If you do not feel that your child's current trainers are suitable for outdoors, they can
 wear their normal school shoes to and from school and change into their trainers for
 PE.

To reiterate, this change will ensure that learners have maximum access to their PE lesson, which is a statutory part of the curriculum. They are already used to this attire and so we do not anticipate this will have a negative impact on behaviour. Nevertheless, as with every change, we will monitor its impact carefully.

I would like to thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours faithfully

Mrs M Preston Head of School