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Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: THE GATEWAY ACADEMY PE LESSONS AND UNIFORM**

I am writing to you to inform you of PE uniform expectations for the academic year 2023/24. As you are aware, the current PE uniform was introduced in 2021, however, since its introduction there has been an opportunity for students to wear plain black uniform. From September 2023, the expectation is that **all** students wear the full Gateway Academy PE uniform. We are creating a culture of Excellence in PE and therefore, expect all students to look exceptional to enable them to fulfil their full potential when in lessons and at extra-curricular activities.

Students are expected to be in full PE uniform for every lesson, including a change of white sports socks or black football socks for hygiene reasons. If a student forgets their PE uniform on any particular day, they are expected to borrow spare PE uniform from the Academy, in order that they may still partake in every lesson. If a student consistently fails to wear the correct PE uniform, we will contact home to discuss this and put sanctions in place. If a student is injured or sick they are still expected to change into their PE uniform, as students will go outside and this avoids them potentially getting their Academy uniform wet in bad weather.

PE uniform can be purchased directly from Kitlocker (see QR code opposite or click on the link here - <https://www.kitlocker.com/thegatewayacademy/>). Please note that orders take at least a 2-4 weeks to be shipped out to you. You may, therefore, wish to order your child's PE uniform sooner rather than later in order to receive your items before the start of the new term in September.



Please see the table below for a list of essential and optional items to be purchased as part of your child's PE uniform.

BOYS PE UNIFORM		GIRLS PE UNIFORM	
Essential	Optional	Essential	Optional
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• T-shirt</li> <li>• Shorts</li> <li>• White sports socks</li> <li>• Black football socks</li> <li>• ¼ Zip Jumper</li> <li>• Gum shield</li> <li>• Trainers</li> <li>• Football boots</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rain jacket</li> <li>• Sports bag</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• T-shirt</li> <li>• Shorts/Leggings</li> <li>• White sports socks</li> <li>• ¼ Zip Jumper</li> <li>• Trainers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rain jacket</li> <li>• Sports bag</li> <li>• Football socks (if your child wishes to play football)</li> <li>• Football boots (if your child wishes to play football)</li> </ul>

If there is a problem with purchasing any items from the table above, then please do not hesitate to contact the school to discuss this and we will endeavor to support wherever possible. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me at [matthew.clark@theglc.org.uk](mailto:matthew.clark@theglc.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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