

To: All parents of Trinity Prep and Senior pupils
From: Sheridan Couch, Senior Department Director of Sport
Re: Updating School PE/Games kit

Dear Parents and Guardians,

From the start of the next academic year, September 2010, we will be implementing changes to the PE and sports clothing. We are very aware that the clothing available for sport has changed greatly over the past fifteen years in terms of the type of fabrics available and its appearance. We need to alter our school sports clothing in order to ensure that pupils have fully functional kit which is also in keeping with the branding used on our buses, website, prospectuses etc.

Waterproof training top and tracksuit trousers:

The first big change we are making is to eliminate the traditional school tracksuit. We are introducing a black training top which is 100% waterproof and black tracksuit trousers with matching white piping. Both of these items will be embroidered with the new school crest. The training top and trousers will be available to buy from Sept, 2010, and they will be available for all pupils from Year 4 to Year 13.

It is hoped that pupils who represent Trinity School will all buy the new training top and trousers from Sept 2010 so that teams who go off to local and national tournaments representing Trinity School will be suitably turned out, giving the best impression to other schools and prospective parents

In Sept, 2011 the training top and trousers will become compulsory items of clothing for all pupils across both the schools. We therefore strongly recommend that pupils who are going into Year 10 and Year 12 in Sept 2010, purchase the training top and trousers straight away, so that those pupils get a guaranteed two years' worth of wear from the items.

Sixth form optional hoodie:

Also available, for the sixth form pupils only, will be a black hoodie with white piping, embroidered with the new school crest. This will be an optional extra item of clothing for sixth formers once they have bought the training top and trousers.

There are three photos posted on the School's website which show current pupils modelling the new training top, hoodie and trousers. A link will be found on the website front page.

Warm base-layer:

We are also introducing a base-layer to the sports uniform, which will be available in black or white and embroidered with the new crest, to wear under PE kit during the winter months. This is an optional item of clothing for all pupils in both schools, but it is the **only** type of base-layer that pupils will be allowed to wear for school purposes.

Skort:

The skort, which was introduced to the girls PE uniform last year, has proved to be very popular and it will become compulsory wear from Sept 2010 for all girls from Years 7 to 13.

We are aware that next year there will therefore be a mixture of Trinity school PE kit being worn by various pupils but, by the start of Sept 2011, we will have all of our pupils turning out in the matching new training top and trousers. This will help greatly to improve our image, both when we are teaching PE lessons and also when we go off to local and national sports fixtures.

There will be further changes to the school sports clothing in the coming two years, to tie in all the items to the school colours. With every change, there will, however, be a period of transition, in order to ease any financial burden on parents.

Yours sincerely,

Sheridan Couch,
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