

## Physical Education Kit Policy

Our kit is provided by two local suppliers called Motif8 and Lollipops Schoolwear LTD. The kit is good quality and competitively priced.

All students are advised to purchase at least one:

- T-shirt (girls or boys)
- 1/4 zip or rugby top
- Pair of shorts/tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- Pair of black football socks
- Water bottle

These can be ordered in either junior or senior sizes. We strongly recommend that students have a branded T-shirt and rugby top/half zip top, but black shorts, socks etc. do not have to be purchased via our suppliers. However, they must be plain black without any logo and flared leggings are also not permitted. We think our kit does offer good value for money and many students manage to make it last for a couple of years.

Items ordered include the embroidery of the Academy logo and student initials can be included on students' items of kit for a small charge. This is recommended as it greatly assists in locating the kit if it is lost or misplaced which is extremely common for our new students (especially for t-shirts, rugby and half zip tops). Additional items can of course be purchased if required and if students are likely to be part of enrichments and sports teams this is recommended.

To view the kit and sizes there are two options. You can either call into the Motif8 or Lollipop shops. Motif is based at the Gladstone Industrial Estate, Stephenson Street, Stockton on Tees, TS17 6AL. Lollipop's shop can be found at 20 Norfolk Place, Berwick Hills, Middlesbrough, TS3 7PA.

Alternatively, you can visit the websites [www.motif8.co.uk](http://www.motif8.co.uk) and [place your orders there. https://lollipops-middlesbrough.co.uk](http://lollipops-middlesbrough.co.uk). Orders take around 4 weeks from placing the order before they are ready to be collected. We do recommend that student's try the kit on prior to ordering to ensure the correct sizing.

Please also note that appropriate sports footwear will also be needed. We advise that the most versatile (and therefore most suitable) type of sports trainer is the astro turf/synthetic surface football trainers rather than types of running shoes. Good grip, strong ankle support and laces are all very important when choosing the most appropriate trainers for your son/daughter. Students will also require football boots for some lessons which take place on the field for football and rugby. Moulded studs are advised as these can also be used at Goals where some lessons also take place. If students have a keen interest in football or hockey then they will also need a pair of shin pads if selected to represent Academy teams.

Finally, there are other considerations for your attention. For example, students are permitted to bring a water bottle to lessons and students are strongly advised to bring these for all lessons. In the winter we allow students to wear base layers under their PE kit in addition to a plain black hat and gloves.

Please do not hesitate to contact the academy if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

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