

Date 23rd March 2018

Dear Parent/ Guardian

As many you will be aware the current PE kit has not changed in over 15 years and now looks dated. To this end the Governors have approved a change to the PE kit that will have a more modern style and colour scheme which use materials that are easier to maintain and more suited to sporting activities. We have worked hard to ensure that the mandatory items are limited to a few key items, but with the option of purchasing optional kit if needed.

The new PE kit will be compulsory for Year 7 pupils starting in September 2018. All other pupils have the option to continue to use their existing PE kit for the remainder of their time in school or purchase the new style kit, if they wish to change.

After recent consultation and feedback from pupils and parents we are also going to introduce a new tie for all pupils from September that will identify which House each pupil belongs to. We are retaining the different style for pupils in KS3 and KS4 but each will have a coloured logo to match their house colour.

Historically the school have managed the supply and sale of uniform but with the increased number of pupils this is no longer practicable. As a consequence the school will not hold any items of uniform and pupils will no longer be able to purchase direct from the school office.

After review we have decided to work alongside an external supplier to sell all Uniform. The new supplier will continue to operate a shop within the Assembly Hall over a number of days over the summer, as we have done previously, but with the significant advantage of being able to purchase direct from their retail outlet. Items can now also be ordered and paid for on-line.

Over the past couple of weeks we have shown pupils a sample of the new PE kit and from 9th April you will be able to purchase on-line or direct from the supplier's shop. Pupils will be permitted to wear the new kit straight away. We will inform you of the availability of the ties once confirmed with the supplier.

For clarification, the School Blazer is not changing but will only be available for purchase from the new supplier.

The new PE kit now includes:

Mandatory items

Polo Shirt
Shorts

Socks
Zipped Top

Optional Items

Skort, Leggings, Base Layer

The attached brochure shows the new PE kit, House Ties and price list.

The Uniform supplier is Macron

Unit 1a Off Bright Street

Bury

BL9 6AQ

Website – www.macronstoremanchester/schoolwear/highschool/parrenthorn

Telephone 07479 110 700

Opening times of shop

Monday to Friday 10.00 to 17.00

(Closed Wednesday)

Saturday 09.00 to 12.00

The dates and times the shop will operate within the School Assembly Hall are shown on the enclosed sheet.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Bell

Headteacher