



Oakbank School

Dear Oakbank School families,

We are writing to provide an update regarding the PE curriculum for the remainder of the academic year and to clarify our expectations regarding the school's PE uniform policy. To ensure students remain engaged and develop a broad range of skills, our curriculum will focus on the following activities. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit and appropriate trainers for all sessions.

Term	Activities
Spring Term	Fitness, Handball, Badminton, Volleyball, and Table Tennis
Summer Term	Softball, Cricket, Rounders, and Athletics

PE Uniform Requirements

As outlined in the Parent Booklet and on the school website, the standard PE uniform consists of:

- **Top:** Black Oakbank PE shirt.
- **Bottoms:** Black shorts, skort, or tracksuit bottoms.
- **Socks:** Black football socks (students must change out of their daily school socks).
- **Footwear:** Trainers (Football boots or "astros" are required for Rugby and all sports on the 3G pitch).
- **Safety:** Protective equipment, including hairbands, shin pads, or gum shields, as required by the specific sport.

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Cold Weather Provisions:

Due to the lower temperatures, students may wear a black base layer underneath their PE top.

Policy Update: Sports Leggings

Please note that **sports leggings are not permitted** as part of the standard PE kit. We understand that some students currently wear them; therefore, to allow for a transition period, students may wear leggings **underneath** their skirt or shorts until the **February half-term**. Following the half-term break, leggings will no longer be permitted. Plain black tracksuit bottoms are allowed and do not need any Oakbank branding.

Kit Expectations and Participation

The PE department maintains high standards for organization and participation:

- **Missing Kit:** If a student does not have their kit, they will receive two signatures on their RFL card (Missing Equipment and Incorrect Uniform). A second occurrence within the same week will result in a formal detention.
- **Illness and Injury:** All students are expected to change into their PE kit for every lesson, even if they are unable to physically participate. This allows them to engage in the lesson through coaching, officiating, or analytical roles. If your child is unable to participate, please provide a signed parental note or an email to the class teacher explaining the reason.

We thank you for your continued support in maintaining these standards and ensuring our students are prepared for their physical education.

Yours faithfully,

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