
PE Kit

It is a policy of the St Michael's Physical Education Department that **ALL** pupils should come to PE lessons with their full kit. This includes the appropriate Academy t-shirts, shorts, socks and suitable footwear. In some instances where the teacher agrees, navy or black tracksuits may also be worn. Please note that even pupils with injuries or illness (excepting extreme instances where it has been discussed and agreed between parents and Mr Raper) will still be expected to follow the same standards. Any pupil that fails to adhere to this rule will be seen to be in breach of the school rules, and as such will follow a disciplinary framework.

The reasons for this policy are as follows:

- 1) All pupils can make progress in a PE lesson, whether they are physically able to participate or not. The pupils' involvement in lesson can be tailored to the individual, for example acting as coach/official. If we are aware of an illness or injury we will never ask that pupil to perform something they are unable to. We feel as a department that pupils are much more likely to be engaged and active in these roles within lessons when they are appropriately clothed.
- 2) If the activity that is due to be covered for that lesson is outdoors, and the weather is poor, we will still have to take the pupils out with us as otherwise they will be unsupervised. With this in mind, a non-participant might get their Academy uniform wet, and remain in that wet uniform for the rest of the day. Please note that if weather is expected to be poor, and movement is limited (thus meaning the pupil might become cold during the lesson) we would be happy for the pupil to bring in extra layers, jackets and water-proof trousers in order for them to remain comfortable throughout the lesson and the rest of the school day.
- 3) Physical Education is a very important, core subject within school. Every government has seen the value of PE and made it an essential part of the National Curriculum. It is the only subject that every pupil has to take throughout their time at school, even if they are not taking it as a BTEC or GCSE course.