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Dear Parent/Carer

## FAO- Parents of Year 7-11 Students

I would like to update you on a few changes that are happening with the school's PE kit. We are currently consulting with the girls on what their preferred kit would be, to ensure they are comfortable when taking part in PE lessons. This is being done as part of the 'This Girl Can' campaign that is being run by Miss Ridler. That consultation will continue into the next academic year and we welcome your thoughts as parents on this matter.

In the short term there are a few changes that I need to make you aware of. The skort which was introduced a few years ago has been removed from the PE kit options list. Whilst the girls like the idea of wearing the skort, their feedback has told us that the fit and sizing options do not make it comfortable for all and for this reason we will not offer it as part of our uniform next year. We are actively looking at an alternative that offers the comfort and fit that means all the girls will be happy to wear it.

There are now two options of shorts that can be purchased for the girls to wear. The first is a "Sports Short" which we suggest for the girls in Year 7 and 8 due to the nature of the curriculum that we have in place for those year groups. If there is a need to purchase a new pair of shorts in Year 9, 10 or 11 we have added a pair of "Leisure Shorts" that meet the needs of the girl's curriculum in those years.

Students who are currently wearing the skort are allowed to continue to wear it but there is no option to buy a new skort until we can hopefully find one that is suitable for school use.

To summarise we would like your daughter to be wearing the following in September:

- "Sports Shorts" for Year 7 & 8.
- "Leisure Shorts" to be worn when sports shorts have been outgrown. (Generally in Years 9-11)

All PE kit can be purchased through our supplier Harris Sport, there is a link to their website via the school website or they can be contacted on 01275 874351.

I would like to thank you for your co-operation in this matter. Our priority is to make all students enjoy PE and a major factor in that is to feel comfortable while participating. We feel that this is the right time to address this issue and will continue to communicate with you as we move through the consultation period.

Yours sincerely

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