



Children are at the centre of everything we do

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Update on school uniform

Following the letter I sent out yesterday regarding school uniform, I thought it would be useful to clarify school shoes. Below is the communication sent yesterday.

Shoes

We expect all children in school to have a pair of black indoor shoes that they change into once they arrive at school. This really helps us to maintain a cleaner environment indoors especially when the weather changes in the autumn and winter.

Indoor shoes can be:

*Black plimsolls or black trainers or their black fitted shoes. They **SHOULD NOT** be crocs or slippers.*

Outdoor shoes can be:

Black trainers or their black fitted shoes.

The children require trainers for their outdoor PE session and these do not have to be black. However IF they are not black then these are only worn for PE. Many children wear their black trainers as their outdoor shoes and use these same trainers for PE. However this is a personal choice.

In the past we have just said trainers for outdoors, however over the past few years, particularly since COVID, we have had increasing number of children who are wearing colourful, luminous and sometimes flashing trainers. This does not look smart. Therefore we are asking for outdoor school shoes 'as best as you can' to be plain and black.

I do appreciate that many families have purchased new shoes for the start of school and would request that when you can over this term, ensure that the colourful trainers are replaced.

I do hope this clarifies the situation.

Regards
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