Letter sent to Year 11 Parents – 2nd December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, since September, students now attend school in their PE uniform on the days they have PE. The impact of this has been wholly positive, including increased participation rates and more learning time in PE lessons.

Last year we worked closely with staff, students, parents and Uniform Direct to ensure the optional additional items were items of clothing that students, staff and parents approved of and we are really pleased with the outcome. Students wearing the correct PE uniform look exceptionally smart and represent the Academy with pride.

Now that the winter months are here and the weather is becoming more unpredictable, it is imperative that students are dressed appropriately and in the correct PE uniform. Over the coming weeks, we will be focusing on PE uniform and ensuring that students are wearing the correct items.

The PE uniform consists of:

* Mid-layer with Academy logo
* Polo/ round neck t-shirt with Academy logo
* Leggings/Tracksuit bottoms with Academy logo
* Plain black shorts

There is also the option in extenuating circumstances to take a plain black pair of sports leggings/ tracksuit bottoms to Uniform Direct to have the Academy logo stitched onto them. If you think this might be relevant to your child, please contact their Head of Year/ Pastoral Manager.

We would appreciate your support in ensuring your child has and wears the correct PE uniform. With students in Year 11 we do appreciate that there is limited time left at the academy and that the purchasing of new PE Kit may not make sense. In these circumstances we would ask that you help us maintain the standards of uniform by ensuring that on PE days students wear black sportswear with minimal branding or logos. We do understand the impact that the cost of living crisis is having in the community and we stand ready to offer support if needed. If this is the case, please contact [generalenquiries@prioryacademies.co.uk](mailto:generalenquiries@prioryacademies.co.uk) and a member of staff will be in touch to discuss how we can support you and your child.

Yours faithfully