

## **Atlantic** Academy Portland

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## Re: Kit requirements for PE

As you will be aware, Atlantic students are arriving at school in their kit on the days they have a PE lesson. We have been delighted with the way this has worked and how everyone has responded to the change.

We have been fortunate as the weather has been particularly pleasant. However, this will change as we enter the winter months. As the temperature drops, students may want to wear an extra layer to keep them warm. If this is the case, please ensure that they wear black bottoms and a sweat top. In line with the school uniform policy, we would also ask that the top does not have a hood or any logos.

In line with government guidance, which states outdoor sports should be prioritised, we try to deliver practical lessons whenever possible. However, there may be occasions when we have to deliver a theory based lesson in a classroom due to inclement weather. In order to give students the best opportunity to participate in outdoor practical lessons, we would ask them to bring a small carrier bag with a spare PE shirt, spare pair of socks and a small hand towel so they are prepared should they need to change. We would also encourage our students to wear a waterproof coat which they will be allowed to wear in outdoor PE lessons.

We ask parents/carers to please ensure that your child has the right items with them on the days they are timetabled for PE. As a reminder, the requirements are: Short sleeved polo shirt with Academy logo, black shorts, plain black base layer/jogging bottoms /exercise leggings, PE socks and training shoes; the link to our Uniform Policy is here. We very much hope we can maximise the amount of time your child participates in physical activity and that, properly equipped, they can enjoy it to the full.

Thanking you in anticipation for your support,

Ms T Board

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