

April 2026



Dear Parents and Carers

re: **PE Kit Update – From September 2026**

The College has adjusted its PE kit requirements to comply with updated uniform guidance issued by the Department for Education. Our PE kit has been updated with regard to which items are compulsory or optional, and where they can be purchased.

All required PE kit items remain available to purchase from our uniform shop. However, there are now more items where generic alternatives purchased elsewhere are acceptable. Items purchased elsewhere must be appropriate and meet College standards as specified in the uniform guidance.

Full details are overleaf. Our uniform booklet has been updated and can always be accessed on the College website: [The Spires College - Uniform.](#)


Please note that the existing PE kit can continue to be worn – there is no need for it to be replaced until it is worn out or grown out of. Current PE kit items will remain available to purchase (at a reduced price) until stock runs out, and from the pre-used uniform shop. New items will be added to the Uniform Shop as they become available.

Items can be purchased from the College via:

- The College's uniform shop: [The Spires College Uniform Shop](#)
- and/or
- The College's pre-used uniform shop: [The Spires College - pre-used uniform](#)

This information is being shared now to align with families planning uniform purchases for children joining the College in September.

Yours sincerely



Ms A Newton
Principal

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Compulsory Items	
Item and description	Notes and standards
Navy blue t-shirt with sky blue trim and The Spires College logo	Available from our uniform shops only
Plain navy blue PE shorts OR Plain navy blue PE skort	Available from our uniform shops and alternative suppliers. Shorts must be plain navy blue, loose fitting sports shorts with no logo or branding. Tight styles, such as cycling shorts or 'micro-shorts' are <u>not</u> acceptable. Skorts, by definition, are shorts with a skirt attached – not two separate items worn together. These must be plain navy blue and a suitable length, with no logo or branding.
Plain navy-blue football socks OR Plain white sports socks	Football socs are available from our uniform shops and alternative suppliers. White sports socks are available from alternative suppliers. Socks must be plain with no logo or branding

Optional Items:	
Item and description	Notes and standards
Plain navy blue track pants	Available from our uniform shops and alternative suppliers. Track pants must be plain with no logos or branding.
Plain navy blue sports leggings	Available from our uniform shops and alternative suppliers. Leggings must be full length, robust and designed for sport use. They must not be of poor quality whereby they become see-through, or easily rip or snag.
Navy blue reversible rugby shirt	Available from our uniform shops and alternative suppliers. Plain navy blue rugby shirt which must be of a suitable quality for contact sport and with no logos or branding.
Navy blue ¼ zip long sleeved training top	Available from our uniform shops and alternative suppliers. Plain navy blue ¼ zip long sleeved training top with no hood, logos or branding. To be worn <u>over</u> the compulsory t-shirt.

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