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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to explain why Physical Education (PE) at Co-op Academy Grange is an essential aspect of our students' overall development. As a core subject within the National Curriculum, PE is compulsory, and we are committed to delivering an engaging and dynamic curriculum that equips students with the confidence and skills to lead healthy, active lives. We strive to go beyond the standard curriculum by offering a range of extracurricular activities that provide students with diverse opportunities to represent the school in various settings.

One of the key components to ensuring a positive and enriching PE experience is the appropriate PE kit, which students are responsible for organising. Our main objective as educators is to enhance students' confidence and overall experience, and this relies on them wearing the correct Co-op Academy Grange PE kit.

In recent months, we have been reviewing our PE kit requirements with the aim of enhancing the student experience and addressing any potential barriers that may arise during lessons. While we recognize the importance of a standardised PE kit, we believe that implementing some minor adjustments could positively influence students' perceptions of the kit and its significance.

After gathering feedback from students through our student voice initiative, we are pleased to announce that we will now be offering additional options for the PE kit. These options, outlined below, provide more flexibility while maintaining the standards of our school uniform:

- Unisex polo sports top (must be Co-op Academy Grange branded)
- Tracksuit bottoms (must be black or navy blue)
- Hooded sports jumper (must be Co-op Academy Grange branded) – this is optional but recommended
- Base layer/t-shirt worn under the polo shirt

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- Shorts (must be black or navy blue)
- Waterproof jacket (Co-op Academy Grange branded) – this is optional but recommended

Please note that coats will not be permitted during lessons; however, in cases of adverse weather, the decision to allow coats will be at the discretion of the Subject Leader.

The compulsory PE kit items are:

- Unisex polo sports top (Co-op Academy Grange branded)

As we implement these changes, we will continue to reflect on and consider the feedback from students, parents, and staff to ensure we provide the best possible experience for our students.

Thank you for your continued support.

***Alastair Long***

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Subject Leader of PE