



## QUEEN'S PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope you are having a more settled and routinely return to school this year and one that resembles more normality than we have recently experienced.

We are writing to you in the hope that you can help support our PE department increase its capacity in supporting all student accessibility to our lessons, ensuring they can maximise their learning and engagement.

As you will be aware, our department offers a rich and diverse curriculum of sports that require a simultaneous amount of sport specific equipment to maintain student safety. As with each year, often we begin the curriculum for all year groups with football, as it closely replicates that of the professional game and also aligns with our entry to district and national competitions.

To ensure student safety and engagement is top priority, our expectation and request is that students arrive to lessons with the Queen's Park High School top and shorts, along with relevant socks, which in the case of football, should be to the knee or above. On top of this, we request all students bring shin pads and football boots. Each year however, we recognise that some students will not be in a position to source this equipment – specifically boots – and this can present a significant barrier to their participation, engagement and subsequent learning.

We are therefore asking for your support. If you have any old boots laying around the house, no longer in use or required, would you consider donating them to us in the PE department, so that we can develop a bank of spare equipment, ready for a situation where a student may not be able to access the lessons. Given we offer football to all year groups, all size ranges will be of benefit as will the type of moulding underfoot i.e. metal studs, plastic moulds.

We are hoping to create a resource bank large enough that no student should have to feel concerned or worried about the prospect of arriving to PE unequipped or missing out of their learning. With this in mind, if you are in a position to support with this, and would like to donate any spare equipment, please could you hand it in to reception who will pass it on to us.

I would like to take this opportunity in advance to thank you for your ongoing support and hope together we can tackle this barrier to learning.

Kind regards,

The PE Department

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