



Proposed use of 3G Artificial pitches at Colcot Sports Centre

Dear Parent / Guardian

After the half October half term break we are proposing to use the 7 aside artificial pitches at the Colcot Sports Centre during PE lessons in year 7 – 11 as the AstroTurf at the Colcot is now unavailable due to its condition.

To use these pitches pupils must have the correct footwear, which are boots with round plastic moulded studs (not AstroTurf trainers) and not blades. This causes a possible problem for some pupils, as they may not have them.

We have suggested to our PE classes that pupils will need to have a pair of moulded stud boots by the time we return to school after the half term break.

All pupils, whether boys or girls, will need moulded boots if they wish to play football on the artificial pitches.

If a pupil does not have a pair already, there are a number of suggestions that they could look into -

- Buy a new pair (£15 approx.) , preferably not spending a lot of money on them – sports direct, Depop, Facebook marketplace
- Borrow a pair from brother, sister, uncle, father etc.

All pupils will not only be having a number of football lessons but they will also have a block of rugby lessons on grass, which moulded studs, will be suitable. Therefore, if you do need to buy a pair please do not think they are only for the football lessons on the artificial pitches.

I hope we can rely on your support in this matter.

D. Williams, Head of P.E.