



Chellaston Academy Newsletter

Date: 14th October 2019

Head of School Welcome

Parents and Carers

I would like to begin this week by congratulating a number of our students. Firstly our Year 11 Girls Netball team won the city Y11 Netball Cup last week, well done to the team on a fantastic achievement.

I would also like to thank the Year 11 and Year 12 students who supported the 'Shout about SEND' event at St Martins School last Saturday. The event which included a 5k, a 2.5k run and a shorter sensory circuit, was designed to promote and develop opportunities for young people and adults with additional needs to take part and compete in sporting events. Our students were described by race organisers as 'a credit to the school...they were so positive and encouraging to a group of mixed ability runners and many people commented on how they helped create a fantastic atmosphere.'

Students across the Academy have also supported the charity YoungMinds with our 'Hello Yellow' day on Thursday; you will see the efforts students went to within the newsletter. So far, over £800 has been raised and I would like to thank everyone for making the day a huge success.

We also welcomed Young Enterprise into school to launch a Year 10 Enterprise Skills project. Having been 'pitched to' by a number of groups, I feel Alan Sugar would have been proud of their skills! I look forward to seeing the projects develop over the coming months.

Finally, we held our Year 11 Parents' Evening on Thursday, which was extremely well attended. We are hosting our Year 12 Open Evening this week where we look forward to welcoming current Year 11 parents, carers and students from within the Academy and beyond, to experience taster sessions in departments at Key Stage 5 and to meet staff and students from Year 12 and 13.

Kind regards,

Cara Walker



Safeguarding Spotlight



Mrs L Horvath
Designated Safeguarding Lead
laurasmith@chellaston.derby.sch.uk



Mrs D Burdis
Deputy DSL
deborahburdis@chellaston.derby.sch.uk



Mr T Barker
Deputy DSL
timbarker@chellaston.derby.sch.uk

Just a polite reminder that Mrs Horvath is now on her maternity leave and Mrs Burdis will be standing in as Designated Safeguarding Lead in her absence.

We expect that our students are confident in the Safeguarding procedures here at Chellaston, and know exactly what they would do and who they would choose to speak to should they ever have an issues or concerns.

As parents and carers could we please ask for your support with this and remind your children that along with The Safeguarding Team, if they do have any worries or anxieties, they should discuss these with their form tutors/Progress Managers in the first instance.

Please remember that we strive to help our students become resilient and happy learners and we are here to help if there is anything causing a barrier to their learning experience.



Reporting dates this half term

KS3	KS4	KS5
w/c 17 th Oct - Year 9		w/c 31 st Oct - Year 13



Reporting Student Absences (Years 7 - 13) - New procedure from Monday 7th October 2019.

We kindly ask that all student absences (Years 7 – Year 13) are reported for **EACH DAY OF ABSENCE** by a parent/guardian by 9:00am using one of the following methods:

Email: attendance@chellaston.derby.sch.uk

Telephone: 01332 702502 from 8:00 am to speak to a member of staff

You need to provide: Your name, full name of student, form registration group and the reason for absence

If your child is absent and you do not contact school each day, you will receive a text message and a telephone call. If we are unable to make contact the school Attendance Officer may conduct a home visit.



Useful dates this half term:

17 th October	Sixth Form Opening Evening
21 st October	Year 10 Curriculum Evening
25 th October	Inset Day

Next half term:

7 th November	Year 9 Parents Evening
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Hello Yellow (1)

Mental Health Awareness day came to Chellaston Academy through the presence of a field of yellow. Thursday 10th October celebrated the National 'Hello Yellow' wear it yellow day! Students and staff donated £1 in order to add a splash of sunshine yellow to their uniforms, donating to a very worthy charity YoungMinds'. Staff and students worked together throughout the week to deliver assemblies based on Mental Health in Education, baking cakes at home and creating beautifully creative displays of yellow on their school uniform.

Students were able to take part in a series of positive thinking form time activities that encouraged them to reflect on happy memories and to share exciting stories from the past with members of their form, ensuring that everyone was leaving with the valuable concept of talking to each other.

Throughout the week some form groups were able to participate in mental health work shops, exploring the language that is needed in order to discuss emotions, feelings and thoughts and how best to relay these with others. Thanks to the fantastic contributions from yellow nail painting, cake baking and uniform donations we are excited to say that the Academy have raised shy of £900! A superb amount of money that can hopefully be used to towards showing others that they're not alone with their mental health, raising awareness and encouraging a positive approach towards having a healthy mind.

Thank you to all families that have been involved over the last week. If you would like further information or guidance for yourself and your son/daughter please do explore youngminds.org for valuable information and resources.



Hello Yellow (2)

Mrs Weston would like to say a Big Thank You to her Year 10 and 11 Salon Studies Students who kindly gave up their break or lunch to **"Paint Yellow Nails"** for Mental Health Awareness Day, they did a brilliant job.

And thank you to staff and students who supported us it was great fun, the Grand Total from small donations was £20.89



Sporting Successes

Netball:

We are very proud of our girls for winning the Year 11 Netball Cup. Photographed are the winning team.



Cross Country Running

Some Chellaston students have taken part in the Derby City SSP Cross Country events over the past three weeks. We have had two individual winners, Corey Rose and Amy Rouse. Florrie Mitchell and Ben Stevenson finished second overall.

All the students ran very well, too many to mention.

They will be taking part in the relays on Friday 11th October, so hopefully more good news to share next week.

Staff Football

On Friday evening the staff of Chellaston Academy took on the might of Allestree Woodlands. Whilst the result did not go in Chellastons favour, it was a huge success to showcase teamwork and collaborative practice across the city. Well done Woodlands. There is always next year Chellaston!



“SHOUT OUT TO SEND” 5K

Last Saturday morning some year 11 and 12 students volunteered as marshals at St Martin's SHOUT OUT TO SEND event. The organiser said 'the marshals were

brilliant and a real credit to the school. They were so positive and encouraging to a group of mixed ability runners (mainstream / SEND) and many people commented on how they helped create a fantastic atmosphere.'

We are really proud of them! Well Done Olivia Brown, Rachel Adams, Lillie and Daisy Williams-Jeffries, Purnima Chhetri and Lauren Milner!



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Year 11 Parents Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who made it to our first Year 11 parents evening this year.

For all years don't forget we are reviewing parents' evenings at the Academy, in the hope to make them an even more valuable experience for teachers, students and parents alike. We will be working on this throughout the year, but in the first instance, we would be interested to have some initial thoughts from parents on their experience of parents' evenings at the Academy.

I would be grateful if you could send any comments through to the following address:

parentsevenings@chellaston.derby.sch.uk

Thank You – Miss Stavri

Year 11 Revision Methods and DREF After-school Study Sessions

From Monday 14th October, the DREF will be available for students in Years 11 and 13 after school. Students are able to use the facility for supervised silent revision from 3.15 until 5.30 p.m. and should bring their own revision resources.

Next week is also Revision Focus Week in the Academy. In lessons, students in Y11 and Y13 will be advised on the best methods of revision for each subject to support their preparation for PPEs.

Thank you - Miss Nelson



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KS5 News

This week has been a busy week for our Sixth Form. All students have been part of an assembly delivered by Rolls Royce, looking at the potential career options available to them.

Some of our Year 13 students have taken additional PPEs across the whole curriculum and our KS5 intervention programme, into its second week, is being well attended with students finding the sessions incredibly useful.

We have also successfully integrated our biometric signing in and out system so that this process is quicker and smoother for students.

Year 12 Open Evening

We look forward to inviting our Year 11 parents to our Sixth Form Open Evening at 6pm on Thursday 17th October.

During the evening you will have the opportunity to visit as many departments as you wish to get a taste for what Key Stage 5 learning looks like.

There will also be a formal presentation in the main hall which will explore the vision for our sixth form moving forward.

We look forward to seeing you.



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Y10 Curriculum Evening

(parents/carers only):

Monday 21st October, 6 p.m. We would like to invite parents and carers of Y10 to attend a meeting that will provide further information on the KS4 programme. We look forward to welcoming you as we begin the journey through GCSEs together.

Y13 Psychology Support

Psychology Boost - If students are performing below their MTG, they can gain support between 3-4pm on Tuesdays in A29 with Mrs Walker

Psychology Challenge - if students are aiming for an A/A* grade, they can buddy-up in A28 on Thursdays 3-4pm to challenge and support each other.

CASTensemble are auditioning for their next show **IT** – as part of the National Theatre Connections festival.

The group are an ensemble, text and movement based group who rehearse on Sunday evenings here at the Academy and have had previous successes being chosen to perform at The National Theatre itself.

Auditions are on Sunday October 20th 7-9pm and require no preparation. There is a term fee payable upon successful acceptance into the company – any questions please see Miss Jones or look at our work on Instagram at @castensemble

We are also looking for volunteer helpers / chaperones aged over 18 to help with admin or assistant directing during Sunday evenings themselves.

More details and questions answered laura@castensemble.co.uk



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Homework and Firefly:

Don't forget to download the Firefly app so you can track and monitor all the homework that is being set for your child.

Anyone who has yet to do so, please see our website for details on how to download the app, and an easy step-by-step guide on how to use it.

Thank you,
Miss Claire Sutton
Assistant Vice Principal



Our crisp packet recycling continues!

Crisp/popcorn/pretzel etc... packet recycling - continuing from Summer Term 2019.

The Year 11s are doing a fantastic job of recycling their empty packets in the DRef and other recycling boxes are placed around school. I am grateful for everyone's support so far having collected approx. 9kilos of packets!

Form groups are being asked to get on board with this initiative and if anyone wants to save their packets from home and then bring them into school - please do so!

Miss C Brown

The 16-19 Bursary Fund

The Fund is a limited amount of money made available from the government through its funding body, the Education Funding Agency, to provide assistance to students whose access to, or completion of education is inhibited by financial constraints or barriers.

The 16-19 Bursary Fund has two elements: the 16-19 Discretionary Bursary and the 16-19 Vulnerable Student Bursary.

For more information and an application form, please check your email account that school holds for you, and look for the e-mail sent on Monday morning from Theo Stavri.



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Important Message Regarding Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

You may be aware there have been some changes to free school meal (FSM) legislation relating to income threshold for eligibility purposes and the roll out of the Universal Credit. To ensure that no pupil loses a meal as a result of these changes the Department for Education has put in place the following transitional protections:

- any claimant who is in receipt of free school meals on 31st March 2018 should continue to receive free school meals until at least summer 2023 even if their circumstances change and they would no longer meet the eligibility criteria
- any claimant who gains eligibility for free school meals from 1 April 2018 will continue to receive free school meals until at least summer 2023 even if their circumstances change and they would no longer meet the eligibility criteria

If your child is not currently claiming a FSM and you wish to check your eligibility please use this link <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict> or ring the Academy and we can help you with the checking process.

If your child is currently claiming a FSM, because of the changes above, there is no longer a need for you to check your eligibility as your child will continue to receive a FSM until at least summer 2023 regardless of how your circumstances change.

Every application, even if you do not wish to claim the Free School Meal, could help the school secure additional funding called The Pupil Premium.

Lara Giles

Raising Standards Leader

Specialist Leader of Education



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Music/Drama clubs running this year:

Monday Lunch - Year 7 band in G6

Tuesday lunch - Folk band in G7 and Y7 Drama club in GPA1

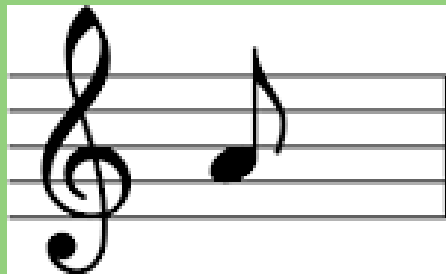
Wednesday lunch - Fusion singing in G7 and Samba band in G6

Wednesday after school - School Orchestra in G7

Thursday lunch - Year 9 band in G7

Friday Lunch - Percussion club in G6

Mr Elliott – Head of Music/Drama



Science Revision Guides

GCSE Science revision guides are now available to purchase on Wisepay for years 9,10 and 11. These guides are a comprehensive revision book published by Collins and we are able to offer them at a highly discounted price. Combined Science (higher or Foundation tier) are £9.00 for the full book and triple sciences are £3.99 per science. Please try and place your order before October 19th!

Tassmomai GCSE revision website/APP subscription is now available for purchase on Wisepay for years 9, 10 and 11. This is an extremely valuable revision tool which has been used successfully by many of our students. Cost is £13.50 for the whole year. Sign up by October 19th!



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English Revision Guides

For your child's English Language and English Literature GCSE, we highly recommend that you purchase/acquire copies of the revision guides in preparation for the upcoming exams.

We are suggesting the following editions:

1. GCSE English Language AQA Revision Guide ISBN: 9781782943693 (£2.75)
2. GCSE English Language AQA Workbook ISBN: 9781782943709 (£2.75)
3. GCSE English Writing Skills Study Guide ISBN: 9781847628909 (£2.25)
4. Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar for Grade 9-1 GCSE Workbook ISBN: 9781782942191 (£2.25)
5. Grade 9-1 GCSE English Shakespeare Text Guide Macbeth ISBN: 9781841461168 (£2.75)
6. Grade 9-1 GCSE English Text Guide A Christmas Carol ISBN: 9781782943099 (£2.75)
7. Grade 9-1 GCSE English Text Guide Animal Farm ISBN: 9781847626677 (£2.75)
8. New Grade 9-1 GCSE English Shakespeare Macbeth Workbook ISBN: 9781782947776 (£2.75)
9. New Grade 9-1 GCSE English A Christmas Carol Workbook ISBN: 9781782947806 (£2.75)
10. New GCSE English Literature AQA Poetry Guide Power and Conflict: ISBN: 9781782943617 (£2.75)
11. New GCSE English Literature AQA Poetry Workbook Power and Conflict Anthology ISBN: 9781782948193 (£2.75)
12. New Grade 9-1 GCSE Animal Farm Workbook ISBN: 9781789081398 (£2.75)
13. Unseen Poetry – The Poetry Guide AQA ISBN: 9781782943648 (£2.75)

You can purchase a copy of any of the above texts through Wisepay from Monday 14th October. The deadline for ordering is Thursday 24th October.

If you have any queries about these texts or how to go about getting your child a copy, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your support in this.

Danielle Leahy
Head of English



What's going on in History?

Thursday lunchtime Year 11 support

Every Thursday lunchtime MRN (week A) and SKN (Week B) are available for support. If you would like to revise a particular Year 10 topic, have additional support on completing exam questions, or just want help with current topics please pop up to the department.

Book Club

All Sixth form history students are welcome to attend FRI's infamous book club in D12 on Monday lunchtimes. This can help and support those students wanting to achieve the top grades at A level. Please see FRI for any further information.

Film Club

From 23rd September all Key Stage 3 students are invited to attend Monday lunchtime film club. This will be in D9 from 12.30-12.55. This will be organised by DGY and DVI and permission from home is essential to attend. Please see a member of the department for any more information.

Textbooks & Revision Guides

Any Year 10 or Year 11 students wanting to purchase 1 or even all 4 of the revision guides for the GCSE can do so at an offer price of £2.50 each.



What's going on in Maths?

Year 8 Maths Assessment

The first Year 8 assessment will be on Wednesday 9th October. The paper will be 50 minutes long. For students in Groups 1 and 2, they will have an additional assessment on Wednesday 16th October. This paper will be 30 minutes long.

Pupils will need a pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, sharpener and a **calculator**.

Revision material is available on firefly.

For further guidance please speak to your maths teacher.

Maths Calculators and Maths Kits

These are now available to purchase on Wisepay. The deadline to order will be **Monday 14th October**.

KS4 Maths club

KS4 maths club will run on Tuesday after school from 3:10- 4:15pm in D6. This is for anyone who wants help with revision or homework.

KS4 Monday Maths Seminars- Half term 1

Maths seminars will be available for all KS4 Students. This will run on Mondays in D6. Attached are the topics being discussed each week.

Date	Tier	Topic
14/10/2019	H	Simplifying Indices
21/10/2019	H/F	Direct and inverse proportion



Road Safety

Bicycle Safety at Chellaston Academy:

This week saw our students taking part in Bikeability. A course about road safety, and how to ride your bike safely. We hope they continue to use this knowledge going forward. More information will come out in later newsletters when the course has been completed.



Bike safety

Backpack

Look, Ma, both hands on the wheel!

Brightly colored clothing

Bike that fits

Too big or too small is an accident waiting to happen.

Helmet

You have to protect your most important assets!

Headlight or reflector

Riding at night is dangerous when cars can't see you.



School Transport at Chellaston Academy

All information about school transport can be found on the Derbyshire County Council website at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/schoolbus

If you have a further enquiry please email the team on: schooltransport@derbyshire.gov.uk or Tel: 01629 536720 or 01629 536739.

Your School Bus Operators are;

(208, 247) **Hawkes** Coaches – 01332 205400

(205, 207, 209, 242) **Harpur's** Coaches – 01332 757677

(206) **Viking** Coaches – 01283 217012



On Wednesday the 9th October 2019 we launched our very first Transport Partnership Meeting with Derbyshire County Council and the Bus Operators. This meeting was an opportunity for the Academy to discuss the challenges that students and parents have raised with us so far this term and for us all to share ideas about the transport service moving forward. These meetings will now be held termly. Key Messages that we want to share with you following the meeting:

VEHICLE SAFETY

- Operators are required to undertake safety inspections at regular intervals, which are normally every four to six weeks. These are fully documented and must be made available to the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA).
- Operators complete daily walk round checks (which must be documented) to ensure the vehicles are safe.
- All buses must have the annual MOT inspection.
- Council's inspect buses at schools – we had our first one for this Academic Year today!

DRIVER TRAINING

- All drivers must complete a CPC course (Certificate of Professional Competence).
- This has a mandatory Safeguarding module which all drivers will have to complete by January 2020.

POSSIBLE FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS (*All subject to securing Capital Funding)

- CCTV & trackers installed on vehicles.

We would also like to make sure that parents are aware that any items of lost property will be dropped off at the school reception so by the next day students should be able to collect items lost from Chellaston the following day.

Please also don't forget there are roadworks for the next 10 weeks which could cause delays!



Information regarding Brexit and Schools

Parents or carers of pupils who are EU, EEA or Swiss citizens that they need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 2020.

- EU/EEA/Swiss Citizens and their families who are living in the UK before the UK leaves the EU can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 31st December 2020.
- If individuals have been a **resident in the UK for five continuous years** or more, they will be **eligible** for **settled status**.
- If individuals have been a **resident for less than five continuous years**, they will be **eligible** for **pre-settled status**.
- Please visit the government website for more details



Uniform and PE Kit

Further to our announcement in June 2019 that our new PE Kit will be phased in from September 2020 we are excited to learn that the kit will be going into production next month and is on schedule to be available before the start of the next academic year, from July onwards. There is absolutely no obligation for students to have the new kit until they have outgrown what they are currently wearing and either the existing or the new kit may be worn from September in Years 8 to 11. Our incoming Year 7s will be the first full cohort to wear the kit which has house colour inserts.

The new kit consists of a choice of unisex polo shirt or V-neck female fit polo with Chellaston logo, a skort or shorts with logo and a fully reversible, long sleeved training top. The hooped knee socks will be replaced with plain black ones.

Optional tracksuit bottoms in three different fits, with the school logo, will also be available as part of the kit, if desired.

As soon as the samples of the new kit are available, we will include photos and prices in our newsletter for reference.

We are very aware of the costs of clothing growing children and have worked very closely with the supplier to ensure that the cost is the same as the identical style kit already being sold to other schools.

If you have any existing kit which your child has already outgrown, please send it in to school and we will recycle it, making it available for students to wear later in the year if their existing kit becomes too small.

Uniformity

We are offering 10% discount on all Chellaston Uniform! Go in store or speak to us for more details:

www.uniformity.co.uk

All enquiries: 01332 677498
Head Office & Borrowash Store: 21-23 Nottingham Road, Borrowash, Derby DE72 3JU

Clothing 4 Schools

Clothing4schools are offering 15% discount on all Chellaston PE kits.

All enquiries: 01283 249740
Unit 1 Anglesey Business Park,
Anglesey Rd, Burton-on-Trent DE14 3LX



School Uniform/Dress Code

We believe high standards of uniform contribute to the ethos of the Academy. We take great pride in the appearance of our students and expect parents and standards to fully comply the Academy's uniform expectations.

When purchasing your child's blazer, please ensure the badge is of the appropriate house colour.

House colours are:

- Alport - Red
- Eldon - Yellow
- Kinder - Blue
- Stanage - Orange
- Thorpe - Purple

Health and Safety Issues

Jewellery: One plain ring, one pair of stud earrings or small sleepers. No other jewellery or piercings are permitted.

Hair style / colour: Hair must not be cut shorter than Grade 2 and must not have patterns, shapes or be dyed with bright colours. Natural hair colours are allowed. If in doubt, check with the Headteacher before having a cut-treatment. It is the judgement call of the Headteacher if a haircut is deemed unsuitable.

Make Up: Students are allowed to wear subtle makeup only. False and acrylic nails are not permitted. The length of nails should be appropriate for the health and safety of all curriculum areas.



Girls

- Black school blazer (not a fitted jacket) with appropriate school house badge
- Formal black knee length school skirt. Skirts do not have to be bought from a specific supplier, but must be of an appropriate length and material. Lycra, jersey or stretchy material skirts must not be worn
- Black tailored trousers (no hipsters, jeans or leggings)
- White shirt, tucked in with buttons up to a firm collar suited to the wearing of a tie
- School tie worn to the collar
- Black V-neck pullover made of wool or a similar man-made fibre
- Flat black formal shoes (no trainers, canvas type, boots or high heels)
- Plain black/white socks or plain black coloured tights
- Fashion belts are not part of school uniform

Boys

- Black school blazer with appropriate school house badge
- Black trousers worn to the waist
- White shirt, tucked in with buttons up to a firm collar suited to the wearing of a tie
- School tie worn to the collar
- Black V-neck pullover made of wool or a similar man-made fibre
- Black formal shoes (no trainers, canvas type or boots)
- Plain black/grey socks
- Fashion belts are not part of school uniform



School Uniform and PE Kit Suppliers

Chellaston Schoolwear
Pupil's Schoolwear
35 West Street Swadlincote
DE11 9DN
Tel: 01283 224512

Uniformity
21-23 Nottingham Road
Borrowash
Derby
DE72 3JU
Tel: 01332 677498

Clothing 4 Schools
22A High Street
Chellaston
Derby
DE73 6TD
Tel: 01332 321624



Sixth form Uniform Policy

At Chellaston Academy we believe that it is important for students to understand how to dress smartly and appropriately in preparation for the world of work, interviews and formal occasions. We believe that students understand this and that the majority respond positively to fulfilling this requirement. Our dress code is therefore as follows:

GIRLS

- Tailored black/grey/navy jacket/blazer.
- Black/grey/navy skirt (no shorter than two inches above the knee). No Lycra.
- Trousers or black/grey/navy tailored suit, ('skinny jeans' are not permitted). No Lycra.
- Plain black, grey or navy dress, (no shorter than two inches above the knee).
- White, black, navy or grey blouse or top (with sleeves), plain with no graphics.
- No T-Shirts.
- No footless tights/leggings
- Black shoes (no trainers or boots).
- Plain black or white belts only.

BOYS

- Black blazer or black/grey/navy suit
- Black/grey/navy trousers.
- White/black shirt (tucked in).
- Black/brown shoes (no trainers).
- Sixth Form tie



PE Kit 2019-20

The following PE kit will be required by Boys and Girls:

- Green games shirt (with school logo)
- Black shorts
- Black and green hooped socks
- Football boots and training shoes
- White polo shirts (with school logo)
- White ankle socks
- Gum shield for rugby and shin pads for football (compulsory)

A BLACK tracksuit can be worn in the winter months.

