STP Moulded Boot Guidance Notes

Our new synthetic turf pitch (STP) will give students access to the most up-to-date synthetic pitch in Cornwall.

To prolong its life for pupils and the community, we recommend all students have suitable footwear for this fantastic facility. The same footwear can be worn on our grass pitches, too.

Footwear within the green boxes can be used on the pitch. Red boxes display what is not suitable/cannot be worn on the pitch. The STP and grass areas are used throughout the year, and not only for football and rugby.

You can also find examples of appropriate footwear <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.

If you have any questions, please e-mail our Head of PE & Lifestyle, Mr Tucker: rtucker@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk.



Q&As: What is required from October Half Term

Any students, staff members or community users that **use the STP** must wear studs or moulded boots.

What we are asking of students...

We are encouraging all students to purchase the correct footwear which they could wear on the STP or fields. However, the usage will vary for individual students, so there are some notes to help below.

Q: My son/daughter plays a lot of football/rugby - do they require a specialist boot?

Students who play school/community football or rugby are likely to already have suitable footwear. They just need to check the guidance above to make sure their current boots meet the requirements.

Q: Will my son/daughter use the STP during lessons?

- All top ability PE groups will be on the STP at some stage.
- Year 8/9 boys who have been in PE groups 1 or 2 will use the STP and grass in term one.
- Year 10 GCSE and BTEC PE groups will use this facility over the course of the year. Remember, the boots can also be worn on grass.

Q: My child has not used the STP previously and it's hard to justify purchasing them.

This is our advice:

- Wait until September to find out which PE group the student is in so the teacher can confirm when the STP will be used during the year.
- Teachers will then give a good amount of notice before students rotate to the STP or grass. A decision can then be made to either purchase boots, borrow from another student, or the teacher will support that student in loaning a pair.

Q: The correct footwear is expensive and boots are more than £30 a pair.

Please see links above of examples of suitable boots at a lower cost.

Q: Will my son/daughter need these for September?

If they have them already, they will be able to wear them on the grass. The STP should be completed by October half term but the class teacher can give a good amount of notice for when that specific student will be using the STP.

Q: Will my child be in trouble for not having the correct footwear?

Of course not. We will support all students and work with parents to enable them to access lessons as always.