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## AN IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE FROM THE SPORTS DEPARTMENT: MOUTHGUARDS

As you may be aware, the governing bodies of rugby and hockey whose schools' International players are required to wear mouthguards, strongly recommend the wearing of CE approved custom fitting mouthguards at all levels. The school policy is to adhere to these guidelines. We have asked OPRO, the dental organisation that specialises in mouthguards, to visit the school and to give everyone the opportunity to have a **dentally fitted** mouthguard at a reasonable cost. Of course, you may choose to purchase a mouth guard from another supplier.

OPRO now visits a very substantial number of schools, and provides the following service:

- **A qualified dentist** to take the impression
- **A named mouthguard**
- **School name** in mouthguard
- **A prompt replacement in case of loss - OPRO keep the model**
- **A comprehensive aftercare service**
- **A dental accident warranty** for 12 months

Mouthguard fittings will take place at the school on **Tuesday, 6 July from 9.45am to 2:30pm in the Holyoak Room subject to timetabling on the day**. Should there be any change to this date, we will update parents accordingly. To book your appointment, via [this link](#). There will be a catchup fitting session on Wednesday, 8 September from 12.30pm – 1.30pm but this is primarily aimed at our current students. ***There will be no fittings made without a prior appointment booked.***

However, if you would prefer to order a kit from OPRO to fit the mouth guard yourself at home then you can contact them directly through their website and they will send you a kit. In order to take advantage of this service all you need do is:

1. See OPRO Custom Leaflet [HERE](#) for the full range of designs available
2. Place the order either over the internet, by phone or post

In all cases please **deal directly with OPRO and not the school**

Whilst we are able to take order forms on the day of the fitting, this does cause inconvenience and may delay the delivery of the mouthguards, so can we urge you to reply as soon as possible. ***Please note that if your child has a mouth guard fitting then you will be charged for it, so please ensure that they know if they should be obtaining a fitting.***

If your child already has a mouthguard, please check if it fits. Your child's growth can prejudice the fitting and effectiveness of a mouthguard.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A M Kenward'.

Mr A M KENWARD  
Director of Sport  
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