## Sports Colours

## HOW AND WHY ARE THEY AWARDED?

We are going to introduce colours from September to recognise the sporting achievement and contribution made by students to extra-curricular sport. Awards will be presented in House Assemblies, once achieved, to reward outstanding commitment and attainment over the course of the year.

The aim of the School Sports' Colours is to reward students who make an outstanding contribution to sport within the school. Colours will represent and reflect the very best achieving students within the school. Colours are to be seen as a real challenge for students to aspire to and are difficult to receive. Colours are for school representation only, not for contributions made in House Matches.

- Minor Colours (bronze badges) are awarded to students in Year 7.
- Junior Colours (silver badges) are awarded to students in Years 8 and 9.
- Senior Colours (gold badges) are awarded to students in Years 10 and 11.
- County Colours (white badges) can be awarded to any student representing the county in their chosen sport consistently.

Colours are awarded for high performance in a number of the following areas:

- Main curricular sports: Athletics, Cross Country, Netball, Hockey, Basketball, Football, Rugby, Cricket, Rounders and Tennis.
- Other representative sports: Badminton, Swimming, Water Polo, Archery, Equestrian and Golf.

How much contribution needs to be made in sport to earn a colour?

Minor Colours: In Year 7, students must represent the school in a minimum of three school teams, at least four times, for each team. In the case of athletics and cross country, they must represent at the district championships. For swimming, they must compete in both district schools swimming galas.

Junior Colours: Over Years 8 and 9, students must represent the school in a minimum of three teams, at least eight times, for each team. For basketball (team only in Year 9), they must represent a minimum of
four times. In the case of athletics and cross country, they must represent at the district championships, in both year groups and for swimming they must compete in the four district galas, over the two years.

Senior Colours: Over Years 10 and 11, students must represent the school in a minimum of three teams, at least eight times, for Autumn/Spring term teams and four times for Summer term teams. In the case of athletics and cross country, they must represent at the district championships, in both year groups and for swimming they must compete in three district galas, over the two years.

County badges, for the most able, are awarded to those students who show excellence both in school and in their chosen sport, outside of school.

