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Dear Students and Parents,

RE: Changes in PE, 2021-22

I am writing to let you know of some changes that are going to take place in our provision of Core PE in Years 9, 10 and 11 next year.

Due to a restructuring of the timetable, with English, Maths and Science being 'blocked' (meaning all classes on at the same time and therefore more flexibility for these 'core' subjects), we have had to also timetable PE in a similar fashion, with whole year groups timetabled to take PE at the same time.

This means more time doing Core PE for students, but with some restrictions. A lack of changing space means that two groups out of five will engage with some theory work in classrooms on a rotating half-termly basis. This theory content will cover aspects of food, nutrition, wellbeing and drugs in sport (as covered in the GCSE PE syllabus). We think this will be a useful enrichment for students and will contribute towards the wellbeing agenda of the school.

In the summer months, either from the Easter break or May Half Term, the PE department will drop the rotation and all students will be able to engage with practical PE as the weather improves and there is more flexibility in the activities we can offer. To counter the changing room issue, students will be able to come to school in their PE kit in the summer.

Groups will be rotated on a half termly basis so theory work is spread out evenly.

We hope that this change will help to develop your child's wider understanding of physical exercise and the importance it plays in health and wellbeing.

Yours sincerely,

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