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Dear Parents and Carers

GCSE PE Intervention and Revision Plans

As we approach the important stages of preparation for the GCSE Physical Education examinations, we write to outline the additional measures we are implementing to support our students in achieving their full potential.

Use of Year 11 Games Lessons

To provide tailored support, two out of three of the Year 11 Games lessons will be used for additional theory-focused revision for students who are currently underachieving or working below their predicted grades, based on both their trial examination and classroom performance. These sessions will focus on consolidating students' understanding of key theoretical concepts and improving their ability to apply knowledge in examination scenarios.

Please note that students will still retain their two dedicated GCSE practical lessons over the two-week timetable cycle. This means they will continue to have three practical PE lessons every fortnight, ensuring their practical performance remains supported alongside the increased focus on theory.

Weekly Intervention Sessions

The lunchtime GCSE PE intervention and revision sessions will also continue, taking place on:

- **Monday at 1.40pm:** These sessions are aimed at students working towards grades 4–6, with a focus on **AO1** (knowledge and understanding) and **AO2** (application of knowledge).
- **Friday at 1.40pm:** These sessions are for students targeting grades 6–9, with a focus on **AO2** (application of knowledge) and **AO3** (analysis and evaluation).

Students are encouraged to attend both sessions if they so wish, as the session descriptions are intended only as a guide to the content being covered. These focused sessions are designed to provide extra support, in line with students' individual needs, ensuring they are well-prepared for the demands of the examinations.

We encourage you to support your child's progress by emphasising the importance of attending these sessions and dedicating regular time at home for independent revision. Each student has been given a booklet containing short answer AO1 questions covering the entire GCSE specification. This booklet is a useful resource for both students and parents/carers to support their learning. An electronic copy of this revision document can be accessed [here](#).

We also encourage students to consolidate their understanding by revisiting their classroom notes on a regular basis. If they need any additional help or support, we strongly encourage them to speak to their teacher.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or would like further information about how best to support your child in their GCSE PE studies, please do not hesitate to email b.swaile@parmiters.herts.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

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