



HENLEY BANK HIGH SCHOOL

14th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Information from the PE department

Welcome back. We are very excited to get everyone back into PE, especially as the weather continues to be good to us. I am writing to you today to give some information regarding our curriculum and how we intend to work this year.

As with every year, we deliver a high quality curriculum and maximise the sports that we offer. This year is no different, however, we are very much guided by what the National Governing bodies for each individual sport say we are able to do, and we will continue to do this until such a time that sports can return to their full capacity in a school setting.

We aim to teach as much outdoors as we possibly can, and this will mean we will stay out in weather that we feel is manageable for us to teach in and have a productive lesson. At times this might mean we get a bit wet or a bit cold. We would strongly advise that students are prepared for this in every lesson. This may mean bringing a plastic bag for clothes that may be wet; a towel if they feel they need to dry off and get changed within our changing times; along with base layers as the weather changes.

Only in extreme weather conditions will we find ourselves forced to an alternative, and this will be a mix of both practical (one class can enter the sports hall) and theory. We will do our best to alternate this so that students get as much physical activity as we can possibly give, but at this point of writing we have restrictions in place for inside spaces.

A change to the behaviour policy within the PE department this year means that students who fail to attend lessons without their PE kit (without a medical note) on **three** occasions will attend APC. At present we are unable to offer spare alternatives or allow students to physically take part in lessons in school uniform, due to restrictions from the government.

Finally, if you feel there is an underlying reason they may not be able to take part as per normal, please send students to lessons with a full PE kit alongside a note.

Kind regards

Mrs Cuke
Head of PE