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Dear Parents / Carers,

As Term 1 draws to a close, I wanted to update parents on what has been a positive start to the academic year in PE, and to provide you with useful information for Term 2.

Firstly, I wanted to praise and thank all students from Year 7 to Year 13 for their contributions in lessons and extra-curricular activities. Effort and behaviour in KS3 and KS4 core PE lessons have been consistently high which has facilitated greater progress for all students regardless of their ability and confidence levels. Attendance for the sixth form games afternoon have been the highest we have known and the atmosphere generated is amazing. Numbers at extra-curricular clubs have been high and we have achieved a lot of success in friendly fixtures as well as county and national competitions. Let's hope this continues after the half-term break.

With every change of term comes a change of activities for our KS3 groups. To ensure students have the correct kit for Term 2 lessons, here is a summary of what each year group will be doing when we return:

Year 7			
Boys	Double Lessons PE1 and PE2 will switch on Week 4	PE1 will start on basketball	Indoor kit and trainers
		PE2 will start on hockey	Outdoor kit and trainers (shin pads recommended
	Single lessons	PEI and PE2 on rugby	Outdoor kit and football boots (gum shields recommended)
Girls	Double Lessons	PE3 and PE4 will be on netball	Outdoor kit (must be long sleeves and leggings / track suit bottoms) and trainers
	Single lessons	PE3 will be on GYM PE4 will be on HRE	Indoor kit and trainers

Year 7

Year 8

Boys	Double Lessons PE1 and PE2 will switch on Week 4	PEI will start on basketball	Indoor kit and trainers
	Single lessons PE3 and PE4 will switch on Week 4	PE2 will start on gym PE1 and PE2 on fitness	Indoor kit and bare feet Indoor kit and trainers

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Girls	Double Lessons	PE3 and PE4 will start with netball	Outdoor kit and trainers
	Single lessons PE3 and PE4 will switch on Week 4	PE3 will start on football	Outside kit and trainers (shin pads recommended)
		PE4 will start on gym	Indoor kit and bare feet

Year 9

Boys	Double Lessons	PE1 will start on	Indoor kit and trainers
	PE1 and PE2 will switch	basketball	
	on Week 4		
		PE2 will start on	Indoor kit and trainers
		handball	
	Single lessons	PE1 will start on rugby	Outdoor kit and
	PE1 and PE2 will switch		football boots (gum
	on Week 4	PE2 will start on Gaelic	shields recommended)
		football	

Girls	Double Lessons	PE3 and PE4 will start on netball	Outdoor kit (must be long sleeves and leggings / track suit bottoms) and trainers
	Single lessons PE3 and PE4 will switch on Week 4	PE3 will start on fitness PE4 will start on basketball	Indoor kit and trainers Indoor kit and trainers

Year 10

Boys	Monday group	Boys will continue with football for the two weeks	Outdoor kit and boots Shin pads recommended)
	Thursday group	Boys will continue with football for one week	Outdoor kits and boots (shin pads recommended)

Girls	Monday	Girls will have two more weeks of hockey	Outdoor kit (must be long sleeves and leggings / track suit bottoms) and trainers (Shin pads recommended)
	Thursday	Girls will have one more week of hockey	Outdoor kit (must be long sleeves and leggings / track suit bottoms) and trainers (shin pads recommended)

IMPORTANT – for boys and girls they MUST wear a change of socks for all outdoor lessons

Year 11

Year 11s will continue with the option programme. Both the Tuesday and the Friday PE groups will be on the **SAME** activity they have been doing at the end of Term 1.

A final word about outdoor lessons in core PE for all year groups. The expectation is that all students wear the correct kit for their outdoor lessons. Students are allowed additional layers underneath their kit (base layers, t-shirts,). They are not allowed to participate in coats or items of school uniform. They are allowed to wear to wear **PLAIN BLACK** tracksuit bottoms or leggings. Additionally, students should think about bringing a towel, spare underwear and a plastic bag / separate bag for wet kit.

Have a great half term and we look forward to the second term being as positive as the first. We hope students enjoy the change of activities in core PE and we look forward to our extra-curricular clubs continuing to grow in numbers. We have lots of fixtures upcoming in county and national competitions and we have the North Wilts cross-country championship to look forward to.

Regards

The PE Faculty