



23rd October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE Physical Education

As you may remember, last year I wrote to you regarding the GCSE Physical Education course that your child is completing at Brookfield Community School.

As a reminder, at the end of Year 11, students will sit two exams; **The Human Body and Movement in Physical Activity and Sport** worth 30% of total marks and **Socio-cultural Influences and Well-being in Physical Activity and Sport** worth 30% of total marks. Students should currently be revising and preparing for their Year 11 mock exam. They will sit one adapted paper comprising all of the work taught so far on Wed 27th November 2024.

The remaining **40% of total marks** will be gained through student's **Performance in physical education**. This unit is made up of the assessment of students' performance in **three practical activities** and their ability to analyse performance through a **Performance Analysis Assessment** written piece of coursework.

Students **Performance in physical education** will be assessed in school by Brookfield PE staff and then externally moderated by the exam board. Any activities that we deliver at Brookfield during lessons have been assessed by the PE department and may be shown during a "live moderation" of students' performance. However, if students wish for an activity that they participate in out of school to be considered as part of their assessment, then we would need filmed video evidence of this. If you are unsure as to whether an external activity can be used for GCSE assessment, please refer to the list of **approved activities** I have included.

The filmed evidence should include **all of the skills** included in the activity mark scheme completed in isolation as part of skills practices. There should also be filmed evidence of students competing in **full game situations** where the filming only stops during breaks in play. Students should also state their **full name, team number and position** where appropriate at the beginning of every recording. Exam board mark schemes in every activity are available on the AQA website or through the PE department. I have also included a copy of the exam board guidance on the collection of filmed evidence with this letter.

We are here to fully support students through this process and we have **HD video cameras and tripods** that students can take home to collect video evidence of matches and practices completed out of school.

We need to make sure that we have all evidence for the NEA and have finalised marks two weeks prior to moderation by the exam board. The date of the moderation is yet to be confirmed, but it is usually the end of March.

In order to comply with the exam board's schedule of submitting marks, I am therefore asking that any filmed evidence of external activities be submitted to the Physical Education department no later than **Friday 14th March 2024**. This will give the department the time needed to review this evidence and award a practical mark. Unfortunately, if we do not receive filmed evidence by this point, we will not be able to award students marks in any other activities than those completed on-site.

If you have any questions regarding this then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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