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Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: GCSE PE Practical Assessment**

I am writing to you regarding your son or daughter's GCSE practical assessment.

Due to the current pandemic, OCR are no longer following the 'normal' protocol of a moderation day with an external moderator. Therefore, on Thursday 27 May, the PE staff will be providing a practical moderation day for the following sports:

- Football
- Netball
- Basketball
- Athletics
- Table Tennis

This is the final opportunity for students to perform to the best of their ability to evidence their NEA grade. It is important to note, that no current practical grades will move down. The day's timetable will be provided to students closer to the time.

As communicated previously, if your child has chosen a sport that has not been performed at school, it is vital that they provide video evidence. Please see below a reminder of the requirements for the footage:

- **INTRODUCTION**
  - Full name and candidate number displayed at the beginning.
- **SKILLS**
  - All core and advanced skills that your child can execute need to be shown in isolation. It is essential that each skill is performed a number of times to show consistency.
  - Each section of the video needs to be named. This can be done by adding a caption or the student announcing the skill they are about to perform.
- **TEAM SPORTS**
  - It is essential that your child has video footage of them playing in competitive game situations.
  - We recommend between 5-10 minutes to ensure there is enough coverage of them performing all required skills.
  - If they are unable to compete in full games due to COVID-19 restrictions, then OCR are allowing smaller 'competitive situations', for example 3 vs 3.
  - Please ensure the camera follows your child throughout the video footage (even if they are not involved in play). It is important that your child is viewed in situations that allow them to demonstrate decision making and tactical awareness.

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All video evidence must be submitted to the PE department by Friday 21 May. I understand that most sports' return to play road maps will allow some competitive play before the deadline.

Please see the below link for OCR's criteria for each sport:

<file:///N:/Chrome/234827-guide-to-non-exam-assessment-gcse.pdf>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on [cbarrell@st-martins.essex.sch.uk](mailto:cbarrell@st-martins.essex.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely

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