

## AQA GCSE PE Course Overview (1-9)

The new AQA GCSE PE course is a linear qualification that means pupils will sit all their exams and submit all their non-exam assessment at the end of the course.

Pupils will be taught and examined on the following subject topics:

1. Applied anatomy and physiology
2. Movement analysis
3. Physical training
4. Use of data
5. Sports psychology
6. Socio-cultural influences
7. Health, fitness and well-being

The course is examined through two examination papers. Paper 1 is entitled, 'The human body and movement in physical activity and sport and consists of Applied anatomy and physiology, movement analysis, physical training and the use of data. Paper 2 is entitled, 'Socio-cultural influences and well-being in physical activity and sport' and consists of sports psychology, socio-cultural influences, health fitness and well-being and the use of data. Both papers are 1 hour 15 minutes long, are worth 78 marks and 30% of their overall GCSE grade. Questions on both papers are a mix of multiple choice, objective test, short answer and extended answer questions.

In addition the practical assessment of the course is weighted at 40% of the overall GCSE grade and consists of practical performance in three different physical activities in the role of player/performer (one in a team activity, one in an individual activity and a third in either a team or in an individual activity). For each of their three activities, pupils will be assessed in skills in progressive drills (10 marks per activity) and in the full context (15 marks per activity). Pupils will be assessed on their analysis (15 marks) and evaluation (10 marks) of performance to bring about improvement in one activity. In total the practical and coursework is out of 100 marks and is assessed by Mr White and moderated by AQA.

In year ten pupils complete units one, three and six. We utilise this year to gather evidence on our pupils three practical sports areas and begin applying the theoretical knowledge to their own sporting performance to prepare them for their coursework task.

