



(Student Name) - (Student Form)

27 March 2026

Dear Families

GCSE PE External Practical Moderation 2026

Your child will be involved in their external GCSE PE practical moderation on Friday 17 April 2026. The activities to be moderated are netball, football, badminton and hockey. This is a vital element of their GCSE course because their practical performances, plus written coursework, will count for 40% of their final GCSE PE grade. Not all students will be required on the day due to the activities chosen, however quite a few students are required to assist with the netball and the football, even if they are not being moderated themselves. All students who have been selected for moderation have been informed and they will know what they are required to do.

All students involved must arrive at the Sports Hall changing rooms at the following times before going to the allocated venue, depending on the activity they are involved in:

Hockey - 8.30am - 10am EGSC &/or Conference room

Football – 10.00am to 12pm at the EGSC

Netball skills – 12.00pm-1.00pm in the sports hall

Badminton skills – 1.00pm - 1.45pm in the sports hall

Netball matches - 1.50-2.30pm in the sports hall

Badminton matches - 2.30-3.15pm in the sports hall

Kit must be absolutely immaculate, all jewellery must be removed and long hair must be tied back. For netball and badminton, students must wear either their blue shorts/skort or navy blue leggings with their GCSE PE tops or PE tops, white socks and white or bright trainers. For netball all nails will be checked too and must not be longer than the fingertip length.

For football students must wear blue football socks, shin pads and boots. They will need their navy/blue PE shorts and GCSE PE top or PE top.

The Students will be involved in practical assessments from 9.00am through to approximately 3.00pm, however once students have finished their particular assessment they will be able to return to their normal lessons.

This will be physically taxing for the students and we ask that you ensure they prepare properly for their assessment by having plenty of sleep in the days leading up to moderation as well as high carbohydrate foods, including a good breakfast on the day of moderation. Students must ensure they have plenty of water and sports drinks with them as well as food to keep energy levels high throughout the assessment period.



Attendance to the moderation is compulsory, as any absence would lead to a mark of zero. If your child has a particularly severe injury, they must have a doctor's note detailing the reasons for non-participation as this is an external assessment. If your child is unwell on the day of moderation then once again they must have a medical note to back up their absence.

Within the department we will be running the following practice sessions, which will be vital for a successful moderation and they will help the students to feel confident in what they are going to do on the day.

These sessions are mandatory and the list of students required will be posted on the Google Classroom and where possible individuals will also be emailed.

The sessions are as follows:

Monday 13 April 2026 - Hockey at EGSC 3.00pm-5.00pm

Monday 13 April 2026 - Netball in the sports hall 3.00pm-4.30pm

Tuesday 14 April 2026 - Badminton in the sports hall 8.30am-8.50am + 3.00pm-4.30pm

Tuesday 14 April 2026 - Netball in D block or on the netball courts (depending on the weather)
3.00pm-4.30pm

Wednesday 15 April 2026 - Football skills + match practice on the field

Wednesday 15 April 2026 - Badminton in the sports hall 3.00pm-4.30pm

Thursday 16 April 2026 - Badminton in the sports hall 8.30am-8.50am

Thursday 16 April 2026 - Netball in the sports hall 3.00pm-4.30pm

Please could you ensure they have the appropriate kit for these sessions and if for any reason they are unable to attend then please let us know ASAP.

If there are any other queries please contact the PE department on 01342 410140 or email lrichards@sackvilleschool.org.uk or jendersby@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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