



### Subject: Basketball - Year 9

Overarching Topic: Learning and developing basic skills.			
<p>Why is this topic being studied at this time?</p> <p>How does it fit into the wider subject curriculum?</p>	<p>Basketball is one of Ravens Wood's core sports during the winter term and we have a history of county and district level success across all age groups. Basketball in PE can help students gain the skills required to be successful in lots of other sports on our curriculum.</p> <p>There are many opportunities to integrate the wider subject curriculum into basketball especially with handball. Many aspects of basketball link closely with the GCSE specification which can be used in teaching at key stage 3.</p> <p>Basketball provides endless opportunities for pupils to develop their leadership skills, learn new tactics, skills and techniques and displaying the Ravens Wood values.</p>		
	Essential	Core	Ambitious
<p><b>The Big Questions</b> (What skills will the students be able to display after completing this sport)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do I apply core skills consistently in competitive game play?</li> <li>• How do I maintain possession and contribute effectively to a team?</li> <li>• How do I perform under pressure with increasing control?</li> <li>• How do I apply basic tactics in attack and defence?</li> <li>• How do I communicate effectively within a team?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do I influence the outcome of a game through decision-making?</li> <li>• How do I apply attacking strategies (e.g. give-and-go, creating overloads)?</li> <li>• How do I adapt my play based on opposition and game context?</li> <li>• How do I perform skills effectively under sustained pressure?</li> <li>• How do I analyse strengths and weaknesses in performance?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do I dominate and control play through advanced tactical awareness?</li> <li>• How do I manipulate space, tempo, and opposition effectively?</li> <li>• How do I transition seamlessly between attack and defence?</li> <li>• How do I critically evaluate and improve performance (self and others)?</li> <li>• How do I lead, officiate, and make strategic decisions in competitive games?</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Key Skills/ Techniques</b></p>	<p><b>The sophistication and application of skills will become more advanced as students' progress through the Essential, Core and Ambitious knowledge.</b></p>		

Skill/Technique	How will this skill be developed?
Passing and catching	<p>Students will continue to learn through isolated drills, conditioned practices and small sided games focusing on the basics of passing and catching.</p> <p>Students will refine passing accuracy, timing, and selection in pressured and competitive situations. They apply advanced concepts such as give-and-go, spacing, and quick ball movement to break defensive lines.</p>
Rebounding	<p>Students will learn through isolated drills, conditioned practices and small sided games focusing on the basics of rebounding.</p> <p>Students refine positioning, anticipation, and physicality to consistently win rebounds and initiate attacking transitions.</p>
Dribbling	<p>Students will continue to learn through isolated drills, conditioned practices and small sided games focusing on the basics of dribbling.</p> <p>Students will explore developing advanced dribbling techniques (change of pace, hesitation, crossover) to beat defenders and create scoring opportunities. Application is primarily within opposed, competitive scenarios.</p>
Shooting	<p>Students will continue to learn through isolated drills, conditioned practices and small sided games focusing on the basics of shooting.</p> <p>Students will develop consistency in shooting across a range of situations (set shots, lay-ups, under pressure). Emphasis is placed on decision-making, shot selection, and execution during games.</p>
Defensive strategies	<p>Progression from individual defending to unit/team defence, including man-to-man awareness, denying space, and forcing turnovers. Students apply defensive principles strategically.</p>
Tactical awareness	<p>Strong emphasis on game strategy, including attacking principles and defensive organisation. Students adapt tactics depending on opposition.</p>