



Subject: Net Games (Table tennis and Badminton) - Year 9

Overarching Topic: Learning and developing basic skills.			
Why is this topic being studied at this time?	Net games involving table tennis and badminton our great sports to develop coordination and motor skills.		
How does it fit into the wider subject curriculum?	There are many opportunities to integrate the wider subject curriculum into net games. Many aspects of net games link closely with the GCSE specification which can be used in teaching at key stage 3.		
	Net games provides endless opportunities for pupils to develop their leadership skills, learn new tactics, skills and techniques and display the Ravens Wood values.		
	Essential	Core	Ambitious
The Big Questions (What skills will the students be able to display after completing this sport)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can I perform skills consistently under pressure? • How do I maintain control and accuracy during competitive rallies? • How can I use positioning to stay in control of a rally? • How do I apply simple tactics in game play? • How can I reduce unforced errors? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do I manipulate space, speed, and placement to win points? • How do I combine attacking and defensive play effectively? • How do I adapt my tactics during a game based on my opponent? • How can I use serve and return strategically? • How do I sustain performance over a full match? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do I consistently outplay opponents using advanced tactics? • How do I anticipate and counter opponent strategies? • How do I control tempo and use deception (e.g. disguise, spin variation)? • How can I analyse and evaluate performance with accuracy?
The Key Skills/ Techniques	The sophistication and application of skills will become more advanced as students' progress through the Essential, Core and Ambitious knowledge.		
	Skill/Technique	How will this skill be developed?	

	Forehand/Backhand	<p>Students will learn through isolated drills, conditioned practices and small sided games focusing on the basics of forehand and backhand shots.</p> <p>Students will explore high-level rally drills focusing on accuracy, consistency and reduced errors, conditioned games emphasising placement to dominate rallies and application in competitive matches with tactical shot selection.</p>
	Serving	<p>Students will learn through isolated drills, conditioned practices and small sided games focusing on the basics of serving.</p> <p>Students will develop a range of serves (variation in placement, speed, spin), focus on return of serve as an attacking opportunity and apply serve/return combinations to gain early advantage.</p>
	Tactical Awareness	<p>Students will develop and implement clear game plans, adapt tactics during matches based on performance and exploit opponent weaknesses consistently.</p>
	Shot Variety	<p>Students will through isolated drills, conditioned practice and games focusing on a range of different shots. Students will refine advanced shots (e.g. smash, drop shot, spin, push, clear), link shots together purposefully within rallies and use variation to disrupt opponent rhythm.</p>