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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of the next steps open to your son/daughter following the completion of their GCSE PE course in June 2011.

The GCSE PE course is a stepping stone to A Level PE. The A Level course is 70% theory and is an in depth study into human anatomy and physiology, sports psychology, the history of sport and skill acquisition. At A Level students will specialise in two sports; it is advisable that your son/daughter plays sport on at least a regular basis outside of school.

Students who complete the A Level PE course have the opportunity to go on to study courses such as Physiotherapy, Sports and Exercise Science, Dance, Journalism, Sports & Leisure Management, Outdoor & Adventurous Activities, Physical Education, Marketing, Photography and Teaching, Sports Therapy or Sports Studies at Degree level.

If your child is interested in A Level PE and would like to gain some first hand experience of degree courses that universities offer, we are providing a visit to Hertfordshire University. The visit will include an overall introduction to the division of sport, health and exercise, followed by a talk from a sports therapist, as well as a practical sports science session. Details for this visit will follow.

If your child is intending to follow the career pathways linked to Physical Education we would encourage them to consider A Level PE as an option. Careers advice is available from Mrs J Duffy. If you would like to set up a meeting this can be arranged by contacting Beaumont School. Students can also access further information relating to next steps following A Level PE at www.ucas.ac.uk.

If you require more information regarding the next steps available to your son/daughter relating to Physical Education at Beaumont School please contact either Miss Moody or Mr Panting.

Yours sincerely,

Miss N Moody
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i/c GCSE PE