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Principal: Mrs N Lapskas

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Dear Parent, Carer

My name is Dan Evans, and I would like to introduce myself as the new Head of PE at Leaf Studio. I am very much looking forward to working with your son/daughter in offering the best form of education to support their dual careers in the future.

On reflection and study of the newly reformed GCSE and NCFE specifications (2018), we have taken the decision that PE will now offer the BTEC Sport Level 2 Qualification for examination in 2020 (for current Year 10s). In order for us to continue delivering high quality lessons and gaining the best possible results for all our sport students, we believe that this change is essential.

The decision has not been taken lightly. The success of our students is our priority and we feel that the students will achieve higher grades by studying the BTEC Level 2 course in comparison to the reformed GCSE course. We appreciate that some parents and students may want to remain on the GCSE specification so this option should still be available, obviously subject to numbers. Students currently following the NCFE course will switch to BTEC, and students currently studying the GCSE will have the option of continuing with the GCSE or moving across to the BTEC qualification.

The content that students have already studied in Year 9 & 10 will still be directly relevant to the BTEC assessment so there will be very little discernible difference for the students who change. We therefore trust that you will accept and support us with this change as we continue to drive up standards and achievement.

We will be holding a parent information evening about the proposed change on Tuesday 2nd April from 6pm. In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact myself, Mr Evans on devans@leaf.bournemouth.sch.uk or Mr Clark, Vice Principal on tclark@leaf.bournemouth.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

D. Evans

Mr D Evans
Head of PE