



Backwell School

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A National Teaching School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Years 10 and 11 Boys' Squash Lessons

Backwell Leisure Centre is built on land which used to be part of the school; the rugby pitches in fact. The close proximity of the leisure centre means that we are able to use these facilities during normal lesson times, causing no disruption to the school timetable. Consequently, squash lessons have been part of the Physical Education programme of study for many years. A number of our students have gone on to play squash at county level and, of course, many more play socially in the local area. The students find these lessons interesting, physically challenging and thoroughly enjoyable.

In spite of the historical background mentioned above, the leisure centre is totally independent of the school and, consequently, we are expected to pay our way for both swimming and squash lessons. We have negotiated a reduced rate for squash, since there is little public demand for courts during the working day. The total cost for your son's block of squash lessons will be £8. We hope you are able to support us so that this particularly successful part of the Physical Education programme may continue. If you do not want your son to take part in these squash lessons, he will be able to participate in an alternative activity, such as rugby or cross country.

Payment of £8 should be made via www.parentpay.com, the school's online cashless payment system, **by Friday, 22 September**. If you have any problems accessing the service, please contact the Finance Team on 01275 465941. If your son is in receipt of free school meals, we will pay the cost of his squash lessons from your personal allocation of Pupil Premium funding. In this instance, please complete the tear-off slip below and return it to the Finance Department **by Friday, 22 September**.

Yours sincerely

P Stephens
Curriculum Leader for Performance

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Signed: _____ Date: _____

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