

Dear Parent/Carer

27 March 2019

The Castle School takes great pride in its provision for sport and PE. This year we have been fortunate enough to employ Neil Eddiford to coach on the school’s first ever Long Sword programme. Neil is well known to the school and works with us on enrichment trips such as the visit to Chepstow Castle. The Long Sword Club allows students to develop ancient swordsmanship techniques and learn about the historical impact these skills had on history and which are very much part of our heritage. We currently employ both Fencing and Archery instructors and feel that this club enhances an already strong enrichment programme.

The school has always funded our sports coaches, but to enable this club to run, we will need to ask parents for a financial contribution in addition to the school’s subsidy.

The course is limited to only 14 spaces which will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Students who have signed up for the previous term will get priority booking for subsequent courses. Once places are allocated, the club will start on Tuesday 23 April from 3.30-4.30pm in the dance studio next to the changing rooms.

The cost of this activity to parents works out at only £2.00 a session which is £24 for the summer term. The school will subsidise the costs of the coach and any equipment required to maintain the long sword programme. The school will not be able to issue a refund for students who miss lessons or stop midway through the course. After each term, students will be asked if they wish to continue. Students can wear their normal PE kit; however, it is essential that they all wear either trousers or tracksuit bottoms for protection.

If you are keen to take up this offer, can you please return the slip attached and pay either by cash/cheque (made payable to The Castle School) or by debit/credit card (either in person or over the phone).

Yours sincerely



Mr Jones – Head of Sport and Nutrition

Please return completed slips to the finance office. (Long Sword Club 3.30-4.30pm on Tuesdays)

Name of student Form group

I give permission for my son/daughter to attend the Long Sword Club and enclose cash/cheque for £24.00 (made payable to The Castle School/I have paid by credit/debit card*. (*Please delete as applicable).

Signed (Parent/Carer) Date

