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Dear Parent/Carer

Years 10 and 11 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. There has been a slight delay in getting this information to you as we have managed to negotiate a reduced rate for squash. The cost for your students block of squash lessons will be **£7.00**.

We appreciate now is a challenging time along with the current cost of living but do hope you see the value in us still delivering squash lessons and are able to support us so that this particularly successful part of the Physical Education programme may continue.

Payment of **£7.00** should be made via www.parentpay.com, the school's online cashless payment system. If your child has already completed their lessons, please make payment as soon as possible. If not please ensure payment is made prior to or after their first lesson of Squash.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and/or is Pupil Premium, financial assistance is available. Please can you open the attached MS Form link <https://forms.office.com/e/N3xAzX5bLv> and complete the required information. If you have any problems accessing ParentPay, please contact the Finance Team at finance@backwellschool.net or via their direct line 01275 465941.

Yours sincerely

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