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Dear Headteacher

### **Advisory support for Physical Education**

I am writing to confirm the ways in which we will provide support, advice, guidance and a strategic lead for Physical Education in Norfolk following the restructuring of Children's Services.

A number of colleagues have changed roles and/or responsibilities, some completely, others like myself taking on new areas. This letter is just to ensure effective communication of my new intended role and area of responsibilities. Physical Education is in my blood and my great passion. I am, therefore, delighted to be able to assure you that, along with my new Lead Adviser responsibilities, I am retaining responsibility for this key area of the curriculum and will continue to provide the strategic lead for PE within Norfolk. Schools will still be able to access a full range of professional development opportunities, as always and a new PE CPD calendar for the 2011/12 academic year was circulated to all schools earlier this month. Our hugely successful NPETCS programme for teaching assistants will continue to be unaffected as will the County commitment to the High Quality PE Chartermark Award.

Schools will be able to buy-in individual training, advice and support, INSET (either individually or as a cluster), request an audit of provision and negotiate bespoke support arrangements. From September, we will also be offering a new programme to support PE subject leadership as well as providing additional support for NQT's, through myself next year. Accredited CPD is also available, as you will see in the 2011/12 PE CPD calendar.

I hope that this will go some way to dispel the rumours that there will be no support for PE next year and that these arrangements will enable us to continue to meet schools' needs and to continue the outstanding work that we have developed in recent years, and we hope that schools will be pleased to have this information at this point in the year.

I hope that this will be welcome news for schools. The reorganisation has, inevitably, resulted in some changes, and I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank Keren Thompson, who leaves the PE, Sport and Physical Development team at the end of this month, for all her work in helping to develop and support PE in Norfolk. We wish her well for the future.

If you have any questions or queries relating to PE in general, then please do not hesitate to contact me using the numbers provided above.

Yours sincerely

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