## PE Fitness Plan

Year 11 Personal Fitness Assessment and Planning: Before

| Test | Fitness Component | Score | Rating |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Multi Stage Fitness Test <br> (Beep Test) | Aerobic Endurance | 8.2 | Excellent |
| Maximum Pushups | Muscular Endurance (and <br> strength) of Upper Body | 32 | Excellent |
| Sit and Reach | Flexibility | 44 | Outstading |
| Illinois Agility Test | Agility/Speed | 18.63 | Average |
| Abdominal Brace | Core Strength and <br> Endurance(abdominals <br> and lower back) | 7 | / |
| Vertical Jump | Lower Body Power | 42 | Average |

Goal:
This fitness plan is designed as a special training for the Divisional 1 Swimming Competition on the 23rd February 2014. The events I will be participating in is 50M ButterflySC and 100M BackstrokeSC. Combining the results of my fitness test and the skills that I will need to perform well during the events, I have concluded that I will need to focus on improving my strength and aerobic endurance as my health related components of fitness, and speed, power, agility as well as reaction time for skills related components of fitness.

Reasoning for selected components of fitness:
I need to improve my strength in both upper body muscles (triceps, biceps and core) as butterfly is a stroke that is highly dependent on upper body. Improving my strength would improve the quality of each butterfly stroke, reducing the amount of energy required yet improving the performance of the pull. Speed and reaction time is also an critical part of my training as I am participating in short events during the competition, as short as milliseconds can affect the results of the competition, or determine whether I will meet the meet qualifications. According to my fitness results, my score for agility was only average. It would be helpful to speed my turns if I can improve my agility. Similar to strength, power is important as quick, and explosive power is important in swimming short distance events. Aerobic endurance is important for a swimmer in general as better aerobic endurance can ensure more stability in my performance.

Fitness Plan: Week 1 to 3 (Monday February 3rd to Friday February 21st 2014)

| Day/Venue | Training Session Details | Component of Fitness |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Monday 6pm to 7:30pm at gym facilities at home | Land Training <br> 10 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body <br> 30 minutes of running on the treadmill Intensity: Increase from $40 \%$ to $85 \%$ (Fartlek) <br> Begin at $5 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ - this is a comfortably fast walking pace, and increase the speed by $1 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ after every 5 minutes to $10 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$. <br> 5 minutes of walking on the treadmill Intensity: Decrease from 90\% to 40\% (Fartlek) Gradually descend your pace after the 30 minute run to approximately $4 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ to cool down. <br> 2 minutes of active stretches for lower body Release stress and lactate acid from running <br> Drill $1: 3 \times 20$ push ups on my knees with 1 minute rest (to be completed in 10 minutes) <br> Intensity: Approximately 80\% (Resistance Training) <br> This would increase the power and muscular endurance in arm muscles. Important for butterfly stroke as it is very dependent on core and upper body strength. <br> Drill 2: $3 \times 1$ minute abdominal brace with 45 seconds rest (to be completed in 5 minutes) <br> Intensity: Approximately 70\% (Resistance Training) <br> This would increase the power and muscular endurance in core muscles. Important for butterfly stroke as it is very dependent on core and upper body strength. <br> Drill $3: 3 \times 15$ squats with 1 minute rest (to be completed in 5 minutes) <br> Intensity: Approximately 75\% (Resistance Training) <br> This would increase the power and muscular endurance in tight and leg muscles. Important for backstroke stroke as it is very dependent on lower body strength and kicking. <br> 10 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body | Flexibility \& Warm Up <br> Aerobic Endurance / Local Muscular Endurance <br> Cool Down \& relief of lactate acid <br> Flexibility \& relief of lactate acid <br> Strength, Power \& Muscular Endurance <br> Strength, Power \& Muscular Endurance <br> Strength, Power \& Muscular Endurance <br> Flexibility, Cool Down \& relief of lactate acid |

## Day/Nenue

Training Session Details
Component of
Fitness
Tuesday
7 pm to 8:30pm at Hong Kong Sports Institute or Ma On Shan Public Swimming Pool
(Depends on whether I am attending
swimming team training or individual)

## Swimming

Note: Today is mainly aerobic endurance to relief the stress and lactate acid gained from intense session on monday

10 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body
800 m S.K.I.P. completed in approximately 20 minutes Intensity: 70\% (Circuit)
$S=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Freestyles Swim
$K=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Kicking
$I=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Individual Medley
$P=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Pull
This warms up all muscles groups we will be using during the session.
$4 \times 200 \mathrm{~m}$ Drill to be completed in approximately 28 minutes Intensity: 80\% (Long Intervals)
Rest Ratio: 1:1 (Can shorten with time depending on improvement)
1st 200m: butterfly drill, 50 m butterfly swim)
2nd 200m: $2 x$ (50m backstroke drill, 50m backstroke swim)

- Repeat 1st and 2nd 200 m

To work on refining the skills of both strokes to improve quality of performance.
$8 \times 30 \mathrm{~m}$ Sprint on 1 minute each to be completed in 8 minutes Intensity: 90\% (Short Intervals)
Start at 15 m from the wall (False start rope), turn at the wall and sprint out to 15 m
1 x Butterfly, 1 x Backstroke (Repeat)
Work on turning at the wall each time improves agility.
Cool Down: 400m swim
Intensity: Decrease from 40\%
5 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body

Flexibility \& Warm Up

Skills, Power (Upper and Lower Body) \&

Warm Up

Aerobic Endurance
\&
Skills

Speed \& Agility

Cool Down
Flexibility, Cool
Down \& relief of lactate acid

## Day/Nenue

Training Session Details
Component of
Fitness

Thursday
7pm to 8:30pm at Hong Kong Sports Institute or Ma On Shan Public
Swimming Pool
((Depends on whether I am attending
swimming team training or individual)

## Swimming

Note: Today is mainly working on anaerobic speed and strength as the swimmer had Wednesday recover from Monday and Tuesdays's training.

10 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body
800m S.K.I.P. completed in approximately 20 minutes Intensity: 70\% (Circuit)
$S=200 m$ Freestyles Swim
K = 200m Kicking
I = 200m Individual Medley
$P=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Pull
This warms up all muscles groups we will be using during the session.
$6 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ Pull on 1 min 50 secs per 100 m , to be completed in approximately 12 minutes
Intensity: 80\% (Long Intervals)
Rest Ratio: 1:1 (Can shorten with time depending on improvement)

- $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ butterfly pull, $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ backstroke pull (repeat)
- Used to train upper body muscular strength (arm muscles) by adding weight to each pull.
$6 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ Kick on 2 mins 10 secs per 100 m , to be completed in approximately 15 minutes
Intensity: 80\% (Long Intervals)
Rest Ratio: 1:1 (Can shorten with time depending on improvement)
- $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ butterfly kick, $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ backstroke kick (repeat)
- Used to train lower body muscular strength (leg muscles).

2 rounds of $8 \times 50 \mathrm{~m}$ sprint on 2 mins per 50 m , to be completed in approximately 35 mins.
Intensity: 95-100\% (Short Intervals)
Rest Ratio: 1:5

- One round butterfly, one round backstroke
- Start each 50 m with a dive from the diving blocks to train the skills of diving and reaction time in response to starting whistle.

Cool Down: 400m swim
Intensity: Decrease from 40\%
5 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body

Flexibility \& Warm Up

Skills, Power (Upper and Lower Body) \&

Warm Up

Muscular Endurance \&
Power

Muscular Endurance
\&
Power

Speed \&
Reaction Time

Cool Down

Flexibility, Cool
Down \& relief of lactate acid

## Day/Venue <br> Training Session Details <br> Component of <br> Fitness

| Sunday |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 4:30pm to 6:30pm |  |
| at Shatin Jokey | 1 |
| Club Public Pool |  |
| or at gym and |  |
| swimming facilities | I |
| at home | (Depends on |
| whether I am |  |
| attending |  |
| swimming team | 5 |
| training or |  |
| individual) |  |

## Land Training + Swimming

10 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body
30 minutes of running on the treadmill (or around the pool) Intensity: Increase from $40 \%$ to $85 \%$ (Fartlek)
Begin at $5 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ - this is a comfortably fast walking pace, and increase the speed by $1 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ after every 5 minutes to $10 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$.

5 minutes of walking on the treadmill
Intensity: Decrease from $90 \%$ to $40 \%$ (Fartlek)
Gradually descend your pace after the 30 minute run to approximately $4 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ to cool down.

2 minutes of active stretches for lower body
Release stress and lactate acid from running
Drill 1:3×20 tricep dips with 1 minute rest (to be completed in 6 minutes)
Intensity: Approximately 80\% (Resistance Training)
Increase the power and muscular endurance in arm muscles.
Important for butterfly stroke as it is very dependent on core and
upper body strength.
Drill 2: $3 \times 20$ oblique crunches with 1 minute rest rest (to be completed in 6 minutes)
Intensity: Approximately 80\% (Resistance Training)
Increase the power and muscular endurance in core muscles. Important for butterfly stroke as it is very dependent on core and upper body strength.

Drill 3: $3 \times 20$ forward and reverse lunges with 1 minute rest (to be completed in 6 minutes)
Intensity: Approximately 75\% (Resistance Training)
This would increase the power and muscular endurance in tight and leg muscles. Important for backstroke stroke as it is very dependent on lower body strength and kicking.

5 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body
400 m freestyle swim to be completed in approximately 8 mins Intensity: 60\% (continues training)
A warm down to release muscle stress stress from land exercise
$8 \times 15 \mathrm{~m}$ Sprint on 45 secs each to be completed in 6 minutes Intensity: 95\% (Short Intervals)
Start at 15m from the wall (False start rope)
1 x Butterfly, 1 x Backstroke (Repeat)
Cool Down: 400m swim
Cool Down

Year 11 Personal Fitness Assessment and Planning: After 3 weeks of training

| Test | Fitness Component | Previous Score | Current Score |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maximum Pushups | Muscular Endurance (and <br> strength) of Upper Body | 32 | 45 |
| Illinois Agility Test | Agility/Speed | 18.63 | 7 |

Record of Heart rate after Aerobic Exercise:

| Exercise | Day | 1st Week | 3rd Week |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 30 minute treadmill run | Monday \& Sunday | 173 | 165 |
| $4 \times 200 \mathrm{~m}$ Drill | Tuesday | 162 | 156 |

Competition Results

| Event | Previous Time (m:s.ms) | Competition Time (m:s.ms) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 m Butterfly | 33.63 | 33.30 |
| 100 m Backstroke | $1: 16.13$ | $1: 16.00$ |

Fitness Plan: Week 4 to 6 (Monday February 24th to Friday March 14th 2014)
All changes are stated and explained in red. Previous program that has been changed is crossed out.



## Day/Nenue

Training Session Details
Component of Fitness

Thursday
7 pm to $8: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ at Hong Kong Sports Institute or Ma On Shan Public Swimming Pool
((Depends on whether I am attending
swimming team training or individual)

## Swimming

10 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body
800 m S.K.I.P. completed in approximately 20 minutes Intensity: 70\% (Circuit)
$S=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Freestyles Swim
$K=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Kicking
I = 200m Individual Medley
$P=200 \mathrm{~m}$ Pull
$6 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ Pull on 1 min 50 secs per 100 m , to be completed in approximately 12 minutes
Intensity: 80\% (Long Intervals)
Rest Ratio: 1:1 (Can shorten with time depending on improvement)

- $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ butterfly pull, $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ backstroke pull (repeat)
$8 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ Pull on 1 min 40 secs per 100. Intensity $85 \%$.
I have increased the intensity by increasing the repetitions and time to be completed in as the increase from 32 to 45 pushups shows that I have improved my upper body muscular endurance and power. The increase of intensity and difficulty would allow my to further improve, rather than maintaining at the same level.
$6 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ Kick on-2mins 10 secs-per 100m, to be completed in approximately 15 minutes
Intensity: 80\% (Long Intervals)
Rest Ratio: 1:1 (Can shorten with time depending on improvement)
- $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ butterfly kick, $1 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ backstroke kick (repeat) $8 \times 100 \mathrm{~m}$ Kick on 2 mins per 100. Intensity $85 \%$.
I increased the intensity by increasing the repetitions and time it is to be completed in. This is because the increase from 42 to 46 in my vertical jump results shows that I have improved my lower body muscular endurance and power. The increase of intensity and difficulty would allow my to further improve, rather than maintaining at the same level.

2 rounds of $8 \times 50 \mathrm{~m}$ sprint on 2 mins per 50 m , to be completed in approximately 35 mins .
Intensity: 95-100\% (Short Intervals)
Rest Ratio: 1:5

- One round butterfly, one round backstroke
- Start each 50 m with a dive from the diving blocks

Changed the stroke of this program to IM order (2x of each stroke)
I changed to IM strokes to work on speed of other strokes and muscular endurance of other areas as the competition is now over and I do not have to focus specifically on competition events.

Cool Down: 400 m swim
Intensity: Decrease from 40\%
5 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body

Flexibility \& Warm
Up

Skills, Power (Upper and Lower Body) \& Warm Up

Muscular Endurance \& Power

Muscular Endurance
\& Power

Speed \& Reaction Time

Flexibility, Cool
Down \& relief of lactate acid

| Day/Venue | Training Session Details | Component of Fitness |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sunday <br> 4:30pm to 6:30pm at Shatin Jokey Club Public Pool or at gym and swimming facilities at home (Depends on whether I am attending swimming team training or individual) | Land Training + Swimming <br> 10 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body <br> 30 minutes of running on the treadmill (or around the pool) Intensity: Increase from $40 \%$ to $85 \%$ (Fartlek) <br> Begin at $5 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$-this is a comfortably fast walking pace, and increase the speed by $1 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ after every 5 minutes to $10 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$. 30 minute running on the treadmill, beginning at the speed $6 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ to $10 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$. Intensity of $50 \%$ to $85 \%$. <br> (Explained in MONDAY's training session details) | Flexibility \& Warm Up <br> Aerobic Endurance / Local Muscular Endurance |
|  | 5 minutes of walking on the treadmill Intensity: Decrease from 90\% to 40\% (Fartlek) Gradually descend your pace after the 30 minute run to approximately $4 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ to cool down. | Cool Down \& relief of lactate acid |
|  | 2 minutes of active stretches for lower body Release stress and lactate acid from running | Flexibility \& relief of lactate acid |
|  | Drill $1: 3 \times 20$ tricep dips with 1 minute rest (to be completed in 6 minutes) <br> Intensity: Approximately 80\% (Resistance Training) <br> $3 \times 30$ tricep dips 1 minute rest. Intensity 85\%. <br> I have demonstrated improvement in upper body power (from 32 to 45 pushups). The increase of intensity and difficulty would allow my to further improve, rather than maintaining at the same level. | Strength, Power \& Muscular Endurance |
|  | Drill 2: $3 \times 20$ oblique crunches with 1 minute rest rest (to be completed in 6 minutes) <br> Intensity: Approximately 80\% (Resistance Training) <br> I am not increasing the intensity of this exercise as I did not demonstrate improvement in my test, but only maintaining a steady performance. | Strength, Power \& Muscular Endurance |
|  | Drill 3: $3 \times 20$ forward and reverse lunges with 1 minute rest (to be completed in 6 minutes) <br> Intensity: Approximately 75\% (Resistance Training) <br> $3 \times 30$ forward and reverse lunges 1 minute rest. Intensity 80\%. <br> Increase of intensity by adding more of the exercise each time as my lower body power have shown improvement in the vertical jump test of an extra 4 cm . | Strength, Power \& Muscular Endurance |
|  | 5 minutes of active stretches for upper and lower body <br> 400 m freestyle swim to be completed in approximately 8 mins Intensity: 60\% (continues training) <br> A warm down to release muscle stress stress from land exercise | Flexibility, Cool Down \& relief of lactate acid <br> Cool Down \& relief of lactate acid |

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8\times15m Sprint on 45 secs each to be completed in 6 minutes
Intensity: 95% (Short Intervals)
Start at 15m from the wall (False start rope)
1 x Butterfly, 1 x Backstroke (Repeat)
Changed the stroke of this program to IM order (2x of each
stroke)
I changed to IM strokes to work on speed of other strokes and
muscular endurance of other areas as the competition is now over
and I do not have to focus specifically on competition events.
Cool Down: 400 m swim Intensity: Decrease from 40\%
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Speed \& Reaction Time

Cool Down

Final Reflection:
I feel that this fitness plan was effective, as has helped me improve my fitness level in both general components of fitness and ones that specifically targets the skills required to improve my performance in the Divisional 1 competition after week 3. In week 4 to 6 of my plan I mainly focused on progressive overload on several of the drills as I demonstrated improvement in majority of the components of fitness the plan is designed to train. It was effective as I considered whether the intensity and amount of work included was appropriate for my fitness level by comparing the plan with programs I have done before and evaluating it with my personal experience. Furthermore, I think that thins plan is effective as I have targeted the skills specific for the event, but also considered the stress of exercise and amount of recovery time required. For example, monday's workout has an extremely high intensity, hence, tuesday's workout has a lower intensity, targeting aerobic endurance instead of speed. I think that this plan would have been more effective if I had more time to carry out the training. I only week $1,3,4$ and 5 of the plan due to my swimming team training schedules and school assessments.

