# Cross Country - Core and advanced skills 

## Distances

Year 7 Boys -2500 m to 3000 m
Year 7 Girls -2500 m to 3000 m
Year 8 and 9 Boys -4000 m to 4500 m
Year 8 and 9 Girls -3500 m to 4000 m

## Performance will be judge on:

- Performance level.
- Fitness level.
- Technique and fluency of running style.
- Tactics
- The start of the race (pens).
- Pace judgement.
- Hill running (both running up hills and down hills).
- Running over different terrain.
- Overcoming obstacles, for example ditches, gaps and turnings.
- A very good level of fitness built up from regular training over the season which will enable them to compete strongly on hills and over difficult terrain.
- Tactically aware when breaking out of the pen, and with good pace judgement and tactically aware at all stages of the race.
- Running style and technique quite fluent and student can adapt to running up hills, and to cope with obstacles such as gaps and ditches.
- May tire towards the end of a hard race.

