

<u>PE Policy</u> Necessary Alterations During Coronavirus Pandemic

Context

The coronavirus global pandemic of 2020 has had a huge impact upon all aspects of school life, including our PE policy and the way in which PE is carried out and taught. This additional document to our PE Policy outlines the main alterations that have had to be made to PE at St Oswald's at this time. As this is a time of such frequent change, this is a short-term document that will be reviewed regularly.

It is important to read this document alongside coronavirus risk assessment documentation, which will give further contextual information (such as reasons behind these alterations).

Significant Alterations

Ordinarily	During Coronavirus Pandemic
PE sessions will take place both	All PE sessions will take place outside
indoors and outdoors	
PE units such as athletics may	The PE curriculum has been revised
typically take place over the summer	and units have been moved and
term	amended to ensure that those which
	most pertinently cater for social
	distancing are accessed by children
	within the autumn term
Pupils bring in PE bags which they	Children cannot bring PE bags into
leave in school, on their pegs	school and must be dressed on their
	PE day:
	Children who have school tracksuits,
	must wear these on their PE day
	Children who do not have tracksuits
	will be able to wear trainers with
	their school uniform on the day that
	they have their PE lesson

Some elements of PE can be carried out without footwear, whereby children have bare feet

Children cannot have bare feet and therefore must have appropriate footwear, children will not be allowed to participate in PE without appropriate foot wear.

Advisory notes

Government guidance states the following:

Schools have the flexibility to decide how physical education, sport and physical activity will be provided whilst following the measures in their system of controls. Pupils should be kept in consistent groups, sports equipment thoroughly cleaned between each use by different individual groups, and contact sports avoided.

Outdoor sports should be prioritised where possible, and large indoor spaces used where it is not, maximising distancing between pupils and paying scrupulous attention to cleaning and hygiene. External facilities can also be used in line with government guidance for the use of, and travel to and from, those facilities.

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