

Physical Education Curriculum Intent

Campus Vision

Valuing everyone, achieving excellence

The aim of the Physical Education (PE) department is to support this vision by giving every student on campus the opportunity to participate in a broad range of physical activities within the curriculum and outside the curriculum without discrimination. Alongside this is the desire to support our students to achieve excellence in the subject, whether that is through competitive sporting opportunities or the achievement of PE related qualifications.

Curriculum Intent

In Year 7 and 8 the PE curriculum is very broad in order to introduce students to a wide variety of physical activities and to develop fundamental movement skills and sport specific skills further. In Year 9, 10 and 11 the PE curriculum is more tailored towards students' individual preferences and future aspirations in the subject.

Our main aim is to develop a lifelong interest in physical activity that will allow students to participate in regular physical activity or exercise into adulthood. We want students to understand the importance of physical activity as part of an active lifestyle and to have the knowledge to make informed choices about how they can be physically active on a regular basis. Our secondary aim is to nurture our students to become well-rounded individuals developing an array of positive attributes that they can positively transfer into their academic studies, employment and adult life. We also want to give students the opportunity to pursue their sporting endeavours to the highest possible standard.

We strive to offer an enjoyable and engaging curriculum that will provide students with challenges at all levels, giving them the opportunity to meet and exceed their academic and sporting potential as well as equipping them with a growth mindset for learning and beneficial character traits that will serve them well into adulthood.

We aim to produce happy, aspirant PE students with a love for physical activity, by creating a safe, inspiring learning environment and through a clear focus on the values we believe to be important:

Community - we support our peers and don't criticise their mistakes. We are proud to represent our school in external fixtures against other schools.

Aspiration - we have physical activity goals that we work hard to achieve and don't give up on them.

Resilience - we accept challenges in physical activity knowing that we may fail and understand that mistakes are necessary in making improvements.

Excellence - we are well prepared for every PE lesson, while challenging ourselves to be better every lesson. We judge ourselves against our best, no one else's.

Students are given the opportunity to develop their interests and talents beyond the classroom, through an extensive extra-curricular programme. The PE department run clubs at lunch time and after school and enter individuals and teams into local, County level and national level competitions in a range of sports. Representing the campus in sporting competition against other schools is an honour and we want students to recognise this. We also use inter-house sport to allow students to engage in sporting competition at school.

Our motto 'Work Hard, Be Kind' sums up our campus and the students we are aiming to create.