



Physical Education Department Information

Staffing

- Seven members of PE staff – three Male and four Female.

Responsibilities within the PE Department

- The Director of Sport is assisted by a Key Stage 4 Co-ordinator and a Key Stage 5 Co-ordinator.
- The Director of Sport is responsible for the vision and ethos of the area, curriculum and examination policy, liaison with senior leaders, staff issues (including staff development), finance and discipline of students.
- The Key Stage Co-ordinators are responsible for monitoring standards of teaching and learning, the organisation of schemes of work, setting of students, liaison with Learning Managers and advising the Director of Sport on resourcing and curriculum development. Each Key Stage Co-ordinator is also responsible for Boys and Girls PE respectively.

Curricular Policy

a) Key Stage 3 (Years 7-8)

- Students spend two lessons a week studying PE
- Lessons are taught by gender where possible
- Classes are set based on ability where possible

b) Key Stage 4 (Years 9 - 11)

- Students receive two lessons a week as option PE. This is currently OCR GCSE PE. If students are better suited, they study the OCR National Certificate in Sport Science.
- Students receive one hour a week in Year 9, 10 and Year 11 core PE. Exam PE students use these hours to complement their exam studies.

c) Years 12 and 13

- Students receive four hours a week on their chosen option path.

Courses

At GCSE, the department prepares students for the OCR PE examination. In addition, selected students study the OCR National Certificate in Sport Studies. At Post 16, the department offer courses in A Level PE for the OCR examination and the OCR Level 3 Technical Extended Certificate in Sport and Physical Activity. GCSE and A level dance are also undertaken by students where cohorts are large enough. Other course opportunities are consistently reviewed and used when appropriate.

Examination

The Department has a good record of examination success at all levels.

Departmental Accommodation

- A 5-badminton court sports hall with markings for all major sports hall games, including handball
- A dance studio
- A fitness suite including cardio, resistance and free weight equipment
- 2 extensive field areas with cricket, football, rugby and athletics areas
- A gymnasium
- 2 hard court playground areas
- 2 PE classrooms

Extra-Curricular activities

The department is incredibly active within the extra-curricular area, with recreational and competitive activities undertaken. We are strong competitors on a local, county and National arena and regularly achieve success within our various sporting activities. In particular, we have been National finalists for Handball on numerous occasions.