

Physical Education and Sport









The Physical Education and Sports Department is a department which places a very strong emphasis on high expectations in terms of teaching, learning and behaviour. Mainly, this is achieved through careful planning, preparation and delivery of lessons that encompass a wide variety of teaching styles and strategies to ensure all students needs are met. The department plays a key role in helping to raise standards and attitudes to learning across the whole Academy.

The accommodation for PE and School Sport is excellent and consists of a floodlit 4G Pitch, Multi-Use Games Area housing 3 netball courts, 2 basketball courts (including SEN court markings) and 4 tennis courts; large Sports Hall; Gymnasium with Climbing wall; Dance Studio; Grass areas and Fitness Suite. A large, dedicated office for all PE staff situated above the Sports Hall allows for the sharing of good practice and helps to create an excellent staff atmosphere.

The department is well resourced and a high level of investment has been made into the professional development of staff. This enables the department to benefit from the very latest teaching and learning strategies and innovations for PE and School Sport as well as affording teachers the courses for the skills and expertise they seek to develop both internally and externally.

The curriculum for PE and Sport is innovative in design and diverse in nature providing a broad and balanced curriculum that is centred around the personalised learning needs of students. In Years 7 and 8 students follow a programme of study that is structured to encourage competition and sport specific and health related fitness. The department also has comparative numbers in KS4 studying BTEC L2 Sport Studies. The post 16 BTEC Sport, is expanding with a view to grow a Basketball and Football Academy with students studying the Diploma and Extended Diploma alongside full access and opportunities within the football academy, where past successes have included at county and national championships. In addition the department offers a broad programme including climbing, fitness, trampolining, rugby, football, basketball and many more.



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Staff also have the opportunity to teach across the age range as an Academy which includes Primary to Post 16. In Post 16 students have the opportunity to follow the BTEC Level 3 Certificate, and Diploma in Sport and Exercise, with the majority of BTEC Sport students where they receive qualified football coaching and compete regularly. In Year 9 students have the option to select the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 in Sport or AQA GCSE P.E course in addition to the those mentioned previously. The BTEC provides an exciting introduction to the Sports and Leisure industry and allows students to complete a number of coaching course and volunteering opportunities.

Sport Leadership is an area of focus as we aim for KS4 and KS5 students to develop their coaching skills and complete other accredited courses such as the FA level 1 and level 2 coaching awards and Level 2 in Community Sports Leadership has been offered. There is an ambition for students to play at the highest level possible through representing the Academy with a view to redevelop strong community links with a Semi-professional club.

At KS4 our BTEC results have for a number of years surpassed National levels of progress. Over recent years BTEC Sport students have gone onto to attend their number one University option to study Sport related courses at Higher education including Sport Science and Physical Education with QTS degrees at University.

The out of school hours learning at the Academy plays an integral role in the life of the students. Many staff are involved in its delivery. A vibrant and vast programme of clubs are offered. These include Climbing, Boxing, Football, Netball, Table Tennis, Athletics, Cricket, Fitness, and numerous others. As a result of this vast programme the Academy has achieved success in a number of borough competitions and offers pupils at each year group up to 12 hours extra a week at extra curricular clubs.