

## Physical Education at Park Vale Academy

The PE department is a valued part of a rapidly improving school and one that is dedicated to the promotion and development of high standards of teaching and learning.

The department vision statement for Core PE aims for pupils to achieve in four strands: having fun and enjoying PE lessons, developing physical and My PB skills, exploring how physical activity and sport can improve wellbeing and experiencing a range of activities that inspire students to be active for life. Across Key Stages 3 (Y7-9), pupils have 2 lessons a week and take part in range of activities that cover the national curriculum with each activity accompanied by a life skill to work on such as resilience or collaboration. At Key Stage 4 pupils have 1 lesson a week and have more autonomy over the activities they take part in, opting for one of the following pathways: performance, games or fitness.

For examination PE, the department currently run 2 courses: OCR GCSE PE and Cambridge National Sports Science. Students complete a transition year in year 9, starting the course most suited to them in year 10.

The department is a friendly and supportive team with a wealth of experience. The successful candidate will be an effective teacher of examination PE with a good knowledge of the courses offered. They will have the skills to manage a successful department and inspire ambitious and talented students.

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