

Holy Cross Curriculum

Physical Education (Core)



Ambitious and Challenging Broad and Balanced Equality and Opportunity

Key Stage 2

Pupils should be taught to:

- use running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in combination
- play competitive games, modified where appropriate [for example, badminton, basketball, cricket, football, hockey, netball, rounders and tennis], and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending
- develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance [for example, through athletics and gymnastics]
- perform dances using a range of movement patterns
- take part in outdoor and adventurous activity challenges both individually and within a team
- compare their performances with previous ones and demonstrate improvement to achieve their personal best.

Swimming and water safety

- All schools must provide swimming instruction either in key stage 1 or key stage 2.
- In particular, pupils should be taught to:
- swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke]
- perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations



Throughout Physical Education lessons during the year, pupils will develop sporting values of excellence, team spirit, equality and inclusion. This will happen through exposing pupils to events such as disability awareness week, Sports Day, competition within lessons and extra curricular opportunity. Pupils will also develop their communication, co-operation and confidence. They will be given the opportunity to develop understanding of healthy active lifestyles and be aware of how to improve holistic well-being and health.

The department runs KS3 sports trips for netball and football allowing pupils to compete nationally. Pupils will also have the opportunity to attend professional sporting fixtures throughout the year.

Extra Curricular:

Throughout the year, all pupils will be given the opportunity to participate in extra curricular activities. The activities are inclusive of all abilities with team sport and competition against other schools being made available for all. Teams are entered into a large number of competitions and fixtures within Chorley, Lancashire and across the North West.