

Information on the Physical Education Department

It is an exciting time to be joining this outstanding Physical Education Department. The School benefits from excellent resources and facilities including a sports hall, gymnasium, all weather astro-pitch, tennis/netball courts and extensive playing fields. Due to our high quality facilities the school hosts many local sporting competitions and festivals.

The core PE and games curriculum offered in Years 7-11 is complemented by very successful GCSE and Btec PE course in Years 9, 10 and 11. Our Leadership Awards programme is thriving throughout the whole school with a clear focus on developing pupils' leadership skills in a range of activities. Pupils formally develop their leadership skills in a unit devoted to this in Year 9 which is followed in Year 10 with the opportunity to take the Sports Leaders Award during their core lessons. In Year 11 Leaders Awards exist in football, netball and dance which have given our pupils the opportunity to work closely with our feeder primary schools.

Advanced level Physical Education continues to go from strength to strength. The achievement of students at A level is very impressive. Foundation for this success is driven by the outstanding achievement of our pupils at GCSE level. High quality teaching and learning has led to the department enjoying very successful pass rates over recent years. The high demand of theory content within the GCSE specification requires a committed and dedicated classroom practitioner as well as a practical teacher. We have also gained outstanding success in BTEC sports studies course in the sixth form which has prompted us to offer this for pupils from year 9 upwards.

Lessons are delivered to a high standard with pupils thoroughly enjoying learning. At Key Stage 3 pupils are taught in single gender, set groups whilst at Key Stage 4 pupils follow an options programme and are therefore taught in mixed groupings. Lesson success is highlighted by the excellent participation rates of pupils. Pupil commitment to attend extra-curricular activities is second to none and the school continues to enjoy a very good reputation in sport both at a District and County level.

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic forward thinking teacher of PE who can contribute to the development of Physical Education through the formal curriculum as well as the thriving extra curricular life of the school.

The Department

Mrs J Tembey	Subject Leader
Miss E Drackford	Assistant Subject Leader & Assistant Learning Co-ordinator
Mr A Braithwaite	Teacher of PE
Mrs W Howard	Head of Sixth form and teacher of A level PE
Mr C Heley	Teacher of PE
Mrs S Ince	Assistant director of Learning support
Miss I McAree	Teacher of PE