



# DARRICK WOOD SCHOOL

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## THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The Physical Education Department comprises 7 full time teachers and 1 part-time teacher. Members of the Department share a common philosophy towards education, and this has ensured co-operative planning of policies, teaching materials and assessments. Teamwork is an essential feature of the Department, helping to contribute to the high level of success in academic achievement and in extra-curricular activities.

The School has a vast array of facilities including a Gymnasium, Sports Hall, Weight training/fitness room, several outdoor pitches, two netball courts, an artificial cricket pitch, athletics provisions and a floodlit 3G pitch. The School also utilises the local swimming pool to allow for Year 7 & 8 swimming lessons to occur. The changing rooms have been completely refurbished.

The Department offers a wide range of opportunities to pupils during lessons and extra-curricular provisions.

Teaching is in ability groups in Year 7 & 8 and mixed ability groups in Year 9 which follow activity pathways. Throughout Key Stage 3, pupils experience a range of activities: swimming, netball, rugby, football, gymnastics, basketball, cricket, athletics, volleyball, cross-country, handball, badminton, health related fitness and trampolining.

In Years 10 and 11 various pathway programmes are operated to allow the pupils to specialise more and follow activities in which they have an interest to aid with wellbeing.

The Department runs successful examination courses, including A level and GCSE Physical Education.

The School offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities and encourages all pupils to be involved. There has been regional and national success in various sports. The School competes in school competitions in the following areas: football, rugby, netball, athletics, cricket, cross country and trampolining. We offer our students the opportunity to take part in an annual skiing trip to further enhance the pupils' enrichment opportunities.

Anyone joining the Department would be expected to play a full part in extra-curricular activities and would need a deep understanding of the pedagogy behind Physical Education.

### The Post

A full or part-time teacher of PE is required from September 2021. The ability to teach GCSE or A-level PE will be a necessity. The ability to teach another subject would be an advantage. There may be a leadership opportunity for the right candidate.

Applications should be returned to the Head Teacher by noon on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021, and interviews will be held on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021.