

Slaley First School

PE Vision Statement

At Slaley First School we believe a high quality PE curriculum should be an integral part of the whole school curriculum and one that staff, pupils and parents understand and can contribute to, which is why it is included in our School Development Plan. Our school recognises the values that a high quality PE and school sport curriculum gives pupils.

All pupils are entitled to benefit from high quality PE provision which contributes to healthy and active lifestyles, improves emotional well-being, reduces poor behaviour, increases attendance and develops key skills such as leadership, confidence, social and team building skills. Our PE curriculum aims to ensure that all pupils develop the fundamental skills and competence to achieve their full potential.

We endeavour to provide pupils with as many sporting experiences as possible and encourage them to participate and up-skill themselves in a range of sports. Regular participation in sport and physical activity can help to reduce the risk of heart failure; improve physical fitness; help with weight management; promote good health; instil self-discipline; develop skill; improve self-confidence; reduce stress, develop resilience and perseverance and develop lifelong learning skills.

Physical education encourages pupils to be active and supports them in their understanding of how to participate safely and effectively. They understand the barriers to participation and work to overcome these for themselves and others. Our PE curriculum will be inclusive and ensure that pupils of all abilities access the range of activities we offer and that they are physically active for sustained periods of time in order to encourage them to lead healthy, active lives.

There will also be opportunities for pupils to take on leadership roles in which they can build character and embed values such as fairness and respect. Our Year 4 pupils take the role of leaders to carry out "The

Golden Mile” project. Our Year 4 pupils also lead our “Buddy Playtimes”. This happens once a week where our Buddies lead organised play activities during a 30 minute playtime for all younger pupils in our school.

Our mission is to improve and maintain the standard and quantity of high quality PE for pupils, to show how PE can enhance pupils’ attainment and achievement and to create pathways for them to continue to be active beyond school. We will be developing our links to outside agencies and clubs which will help to generate positive interaction in the community.

We are striving towards maintaining the quality of delivery of the teaching & learning of PE in order to promote participation, progress and improving performance for all pupils throughout their time in Slaley School.

‘Developing pupil’s personal qualities through PE can have a positive effect on pupils’ attitudes towards school and learning. When PE and school sport provision is of the highest quality, all pupils will, to the best of their abilities, develop and demonstrate the following personal qualities:

- A strong desire to learn & make progress;
- High levels of dedication, attendance and involvement in PE and school sport;
- High levels of commitment to PE and school sport;
- Good levels of positive behaviour such as politeness, fair play and helpfulness;
- High levels of enjoyment and enthusiasm and a strong desire to get involved.

Our aim is to provide the opportunities for all pupils to reach their maximum potential and to recognise and enjoy their own achievements at the level they have reached during the time here in our school.