

Forefield Junior School is a P.R.O.U.D. school built on *Passion* and *Respect*, where *Opportunities* can be seized by *Unique* and *Determined* learners.



# PROUD to be FOREFIELD

Subject Leader Report: Physical Education

As a school, Forefield Junior School has always been committed to PE and Sport and now with the government funding we are able to provide our children with the best possible PE and Sport provision. Forefield Junior School has developed its vision for PE and school sport around five key targets, as we believe these give our children the best chance of succeeding in physical education:

- All children will have the **OPPORTUNITY** to partake in a variety of physical and sporting activities of their choosing both during PE lessons and in extra-curricular clubs.
- All children will be encouraged to experience healthy competition against their peers and will be taught the value of competing against themselves by setting SMART (specific, motivational, attainable, realistic and timed) targets in areas of their choosing.
- All children will improve their **DETERMINATION**, sportsmanship and resilience through organised competitions in which their teacher will model how to respond when winning and losing.
- All children will have the ability to make appropriate, life-long choices about living a healthy and active lifestyle.
- All children will leave Forefield Junior School physically literate. They will have a deep understanding of how their body works and how to improve the core areas of health, fitness and mobility.

These five core mission statements will enable Forefield Junior School to take its PE and school sport to higher levels of success and ensure that we provide our children the best physical springboard into their life that we can.

We also believe it is paramount that children understand the link between exercise, physical literacy and educational success. Those children who participate more regularly in sport and physical activity have greater levels of concentration, improved communication skills.

# Aims and objectives

- In line with the Department for Education (DfE), a high quality physical education curriculum inspires all pupils to succeed and excel in competitive sport and other physical activities. It should provide opportunities for pupils to become physically confident in a way which supports their health and fitness. Opportunities to compete in sport and other activities build character and help to embed values such as fairness and respect.
- 2. The national curriculum for physical education aims to ensure that all pupils:
  - Develop competence to excel in a broad range of physical activates
  - Are physically active for sustained periods of time
  - Engage in competitive sports and activities
  - Lead healthy, active lifestyles

## Curriculum Overview

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 3	Netball	Hockey	Tennis
	Rugby	Cricket	Athletics
	Football		
	Plus one term per class of each of the following:  Swimming Dance Street Dance Country Dance Gymnastics Balances and Jumps Co-operative Balances		
Year 4	Netball	Rugby	Tennis
	Hockey	Cricket	Rounders
			Athletics
	Plus one term per class of each of the following:  Swimming Dance Bollywood Charleston Gymnastics Balances Rolling		

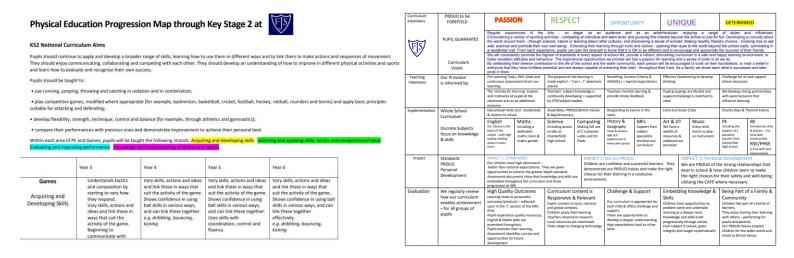
Year 5	Netball	Hockey	Tennis	
rear 5	Rugby	Cricket	Rounders	
			Athletics	
	Plus one term per class of each of the following:			
	Swimming Dance Musical Theatn Salsa Gymnastics Flight Matching	е		
Year 6	Netball	Rugby	Tennis	
rear o	Hockey	Cricket	Rounders	
			Athletics	
	Plus one term per class of each of the following:  Swimming Dance Rock'n' Roll Maypole Gymnastics Paired Balances Obstacles			



We have continued to work hard to ensure ALL P.E and Games lessons were being taught to the highest level. We wanted to make sure that all staff felt confident, once again, when teaching gymnastics, CPD was given to all class teachers by Mrs Moorcroft.

Mrs Moorcroft is the School Sports Co-ordinator (SSCO) at Chesterfield High School.

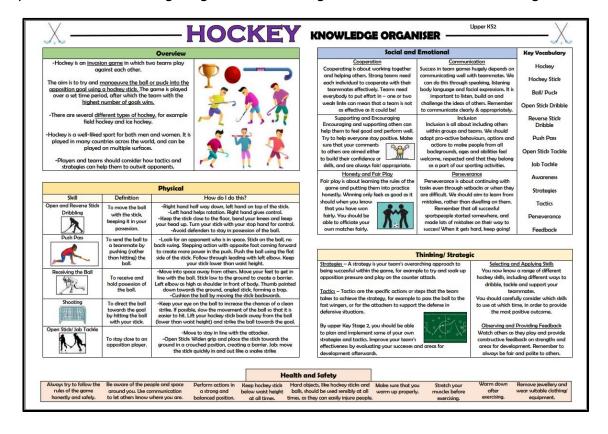
INCLUSION is a huge part of the curriculum at FJS. We believe that ALL children should be able to access all areas of our diverse and exciting curriculum and all extra-curricular activities on offer too. When necessary, plans are put into place to ensure ALL children can access ALL lessons.



In previous reports you will recall that we have worked hard as a staff to ensure all documentation relating to our subject was completed (see above and previous SL report - November 2023)
This included completing progression maps and subject overviews to ensure there was consistency across each year group and skills were progressing throughout the school. (All relevant documents are available on our school website.)

This year, we continued the development of our subjects in different ways. During this academic year, I ensured all planning was in place and up to date for each year group and new resources and planning were allocated to each year group. Feedback was taken on board from staff about further CPD opportunities too (see next steps at end of report).

Previously introduced, knowledge organisers (see image below) have been used throughout the school.



These resources are aimed at both staff and children. Teaching staff may want to use a knowledge organiser to help with their own subject knowledge, particularly when it comes to vocabulary and coaching points. Furthermore, children may be use them in lessons to help them understand a particular movement, skill or term. I have encouraged staff to use them in the classroom before going out to do a lesson to introduce children to something being taught that lesson, or even at the end of a lesson to summarise what has been taught that day (they are also great for rainy days and theory lessons too!).

In addition to the curriculum, our Pupil Guarantee aims to ensure that **every** child finds their **PASSION** through:

- Regular experiences of the Arts on stage, as an audience and as an artist/musician, enjoying a range of styles and influences;
- Encountering a variety of sporting activities competing at individual and team level, and pursuing this interest beyond the school or just for fun;
- Developing a curiosity about the world around them through science, nature or learning about other cultures, and discovering a sense of wonder;
- Making healthy lifestyle choices knowing how to eat well, exercise and promote their own wellbeing;
- Extending their learning through visits and visitors opening their eyes to the world beyond the school walls, culminating in a residential visit to Ambleside in Year 6.

From each experience, pupils can gain the strength to know that it is OK to be different and to encourage and appreciate the success of their friends.

Our PE and Games curriculum supports this through developing curiosity and extending learning through visits, competitions, tournaments, visitors and coaches.



#### **British Values**

Forefield Junior School is committed to serving its community and surrounding areas. It recognises the multi-cultural, multi faith and ever-changing nature of the United Kingdom, and therefore those it serves. It also understands the vital role it has in ensuring that groups or individuals within the school are not subjected to intimidation or radicalization by those wishing to improperly, or illegally, influence them. Each pupil is special and **UNIQUE** in their own way.

The Government emphasizes that schools are required to ensure that key 'British Values' are taught in all UK schools. We recognise that upholding and supporting British values should align with our duty to promote Spiritual, Moral, Cultural, Mental and Physical Development of our pupils. Specifically, we strive to ensure that through guaranteeing high-quality Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) development, we can actively demonstrate that Forefield Junior School is actively promoting fundamental British values.

The school does, through a wide range of activities, secure the values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual **RESPECT** and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs standards and uses strategies within the National Curriculum and beyond to secure such outcomes for children.

# In Physical Education we:

- promote of the concept of 'fair play', following and developing rules, inclusion, celebrating and rewarding success and being magnanimous in defeat.
- participate in activities that promote affinity and affiliation with others.
- be exposed to the importance of representing your country for different athletes.





We endeavor to incorporate the above values into all our curriculum lessons and extra-curricular sessions where possible.

Emotional development is of as much importance as physical development and sport is an excellent way to promote this to our children.

#### **Assessment**

This year, we continued to use a skills-based assessment system linked to our PE curriculum. During the 2023/24 academic year, all teachers assessed pupils against key objectives in the autumn, spring, and summer term. From work done during lessons, class discussions and observations of pupils, teachers decide if pupils are working below/at/or above age-related expectations. Videos and photos of lessons and skills allows staff to make judgements against end of year expectations in different units and topics. The Subject Leader then collates the data at the end of the academic year to look for successes and areas to develop. This has implications for refining topics and purchasing new resources.

The whole school assessment data for this academic year in PE is:

# 95% FXPFCTFD + with 10% FXCFFDING

As last year, analysis shows that there is no gender gap in PE achievement and boys and girls are both achieving well across all year groups. This is also true for SEND and Pupil Premium children, there is no disparity in achievement when compared with 'all pupils.'

To maintain this progress and upward trend throughout the school, from Year Three to Year Six, teaching must continue to be strong and support and CPD **OPPORTUNITIES** are provided when needed.

One thing that has really helped to accelerate progress in PE across all year groups is the huge increase in participation levels during ALL lessons across the curriculum. Children now wear their PE kit and trainers on days when they have PE/Games timetabled; this allows full use of lesson time (no changing time) and ensures all children are physically active in lessons (no kit forgotten).

#### Active bodies, active minds:

At Forefield, we are committed and **PASSIONATE** to engaging all pupils in physical activity as this can have a positive impact on not only children's academic achievements but their mental well-being too.

One way we have strived to do this during this academic year, is to provide children with play equipment to use during break and lunch times. This encouraged the children to be active and often staff would join in whilst on duty and organise more structured games.

Mrs Falconer continued to work as our Play Leader to support children at lunchtimes and, using equipment, encourage children to be physically active.

This is VERY popular with all year groups and all children. We have used some of our Sports Premium grant to add to and update our playground resources this year.





#### **Enrichment Opportunities**

Alongside two hours of high-quality PE lessons each week, at Forefield, we have ALWAYS provided our pupils with a wealth of additional experiences throughout the year. Our extra-curricular clubs and enrichment opportunities are something we pride ourselves on at Forefield.

We were able to provide our pupils with a number of different clubs to attend. Some of these included: football, netball, multi-sports, judo, fencing, dodgeball, baseball.

Re-introducing more opportunities at Forefield each year is something we are thoroughly looking forward to and always strive to do. We also try to provide our pupils with inspirational talks from athletes that will motivate them and encourage them to seize every **OPPORTUNITY** presented to them.

Children have the **OPPORTUNITY** to take part in a number of competitive matches and games lessons throughout the year, through which pupils will improve their **DETERMINATION**, sportsmanship and resilience.





This photograph was taken at the Crosby Schools Girls football tournament.

It is important to us at Forefield that all our extra-curricular clubs are fully inclusive, and we actively encourage participation across ALL groups of children in our school.



We also competed in Y3, 4, 5 and 6 football tournaments, Year 5 and 6 also play cup and league matches for football too, a netball tournament, a swimming gala, regular cross-country races and an athletics competition.

# Resources and Equipment





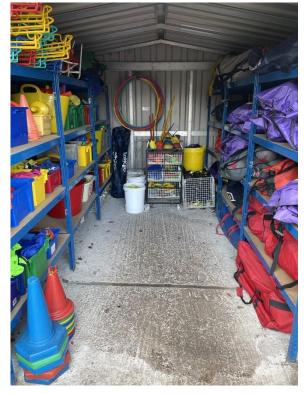




At Forefield Junior School, we have some of the best facilities and resources enabling our children to have the best opportunities and physical education they possibly can. Our multi-use games area (MUGA) and dance studio are extremely well used for many different activities, with the latter showing our mission statement 'PROUD' alongside a collage of sporting photographs.



To support the teaching of PE and Games throughout the school, we also have a wealth of resources and equipment that we monitor and add to each year when necessary. Staff are able to make requests if they feel they need more equipment.





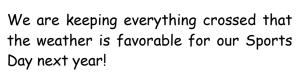
This year, we used some of our Sports Premium grant to purchase new resources that would add to the delivery and teaching of PE and Games. Going forward, having new

and up to date equipment will enhance this area of the curriculum at Forefield. (Full Sports Premium report can be found on our website)

The skills learnt throughout each year and the equipment used in the range of sports taught at Forefield are showcased every year in our Sports Afternoons.

Unfortunately, due to the field adjacent to Forefield Infant School being 'out of bounds' and then adverse weather conditions our annual Sports Day had to be cancelled this year. Saying this, although our usual Sports Day was not able to happen, many year groups did host their own intra-school sports







# Working with partner schools

We continue to work closely with partner schools, such as Forefield Infant School and Chesterfield High School. Our children often support FIS with sports afternoons if needed. Moreover, CHS is a venue for MANY of the sports events we compete in during the year and transition starts early as our Year 5 children are often invited to take part in an afternoon of sports.











We are hoping to build upon and strengthen the links with our local schools next year too.

This will hopefully be made easier as early consultations show we will be working more closely with the other schools once part of a Multi-Academy Trust.





All classes took part in the Santa Dash this year - as always there was a range of hats and outfits.

Children loved 'dashing' around the playground to Christmas and festive music!

#### Mental Health and Well-being

Whilst we all know that physical activity keeps our bodies healthy, exercise can also have a huge impact on our well-being and mental health too. During this year, as we do every year, we have worked extremely hard to raise the awareness of mental health at Forefield Junior School with both children and staff.

Once again, this year, Forefield took part in Children's Mental Health week. The week began with a whole school assembly to introduce the week and staff then completed a series of activities and projects in their classes continuing with this theme.



We took part in lessons in class, assemblies, online workshops and even brought in items that meant a lot to us. Children loved sharing their items and objects with their classmates.

Red Nose Day - Inspirational stories











We are also working hard to provide our pupils with **OPPORTUNITIES** to be inspired through sport and physical activity! Supporting one of our pupil's dad on his AMAZING challenge for Red Nose Day was a real highlight this year. Mr Woods then came into school to do an assembly where he incorporated our **PROUD** values into the message he gave the children. Welcoming the runners onto the playground was very emotional and also <u>very</u> inspiring.

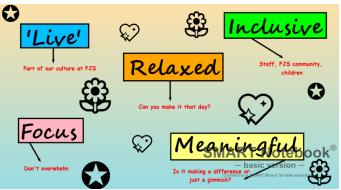
**KIDZ FIT** returned again for Year 3. These workshops got ALL children involved and combined practical sessions and discussions about the link between our physical and mental health.





We have also continued to work hard to support the well-being and mental health of the staff at FJS too. We are committed to continuing to support the well-being of all children and staff at Forefield Junior School and there are already plans to progress with this year-on-year.







Staff wellbeing team

# OUTDOOR and ADVENTUROUS ACTIVITIES (OAA)

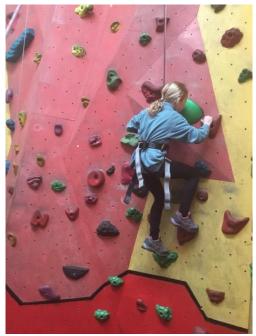
Let's give our pupils life-changing OPPORTUNITIES and memories that will last FOREVER.

Year 6 pupils were able to enjoy Forefield's traditional 5-day residential visit to Ambleside. Based at YHA Ambleside right on the shores of Lake Windermere, the children were given the opportunity to experience a range of outdoor activities, including rock climbing, ghyll scrambling, raft building, canoeing and fell walking. Our Year 4 children also went on their annual residential to Robinwood.





Life-long skills are discovered! ©









ROBINWOOD

These are a very small selection of photographs from the trip; however, more photographs are available on our website.

## **Pupil Voice**

'P.E is so fun, especially swimming.'

'I like the equipment because I like sports. I think the football goals are really useful.'

'I love the activities and sports that we do in P.E and games - it is very fun!'

'I like the clubs there are loads of opportunities.'

'I don't think anything needs improving in P.E and games. We've got great equipment and do loads of sports.'

#### Recognition for what we do at FJS in PE and Games...

This academic year, I was once again able to apply for the School Games Award.

The School Games Mark is a government-led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Participating in this process allows schools to evaluate their PE provision and assists them in developing an action plan for future progress.

#### THE VALUE OF THE SCHOOL GAMES MARK AWARD

The following were highlighted as the reasons SGOs and schools valued the School Games Mark Award: recognition, it provides a focus, it helps to promote PE / Active lifestyles, provides enjoyment, increases participation, highlight successes (to parents, community), good for inspection / PE report, helps to align with national standards, improves provision, develops staff, opportunity to attend competitions, offers new experiences (participation, competition, leading, managing, officiating).

staff, opportunity to attend competitions, offers new experiences (participation, competition, leading, managing, officiating), allows self analysis, can be embedded cross-curriculum, develops good relationships in, across and outside school

"The Award is a vital component in the delivery of PE and Sport across school. It is a way to identify schools who have participated in the year and is a great tool to show schools how they can measure their own success against other schools in their area. It is a great way to remember why we do this and who for."

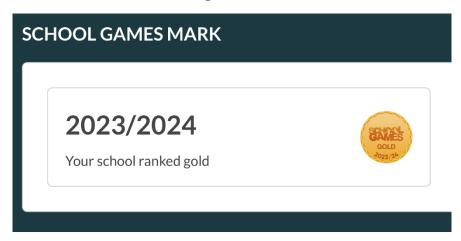
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"The Award has influenced many positive changes in many of my schools. The different areas of the criteria have opened the eyes of the criteria have opened the eyes of the state of the second than what it was! With the new outcomes of the School Games programme, this impact is going to go a lot further."

#### THE IMPACT OF THE SCHOOL GAMES MARK AWARD

There is a strong sense of importance (more so in primary schools) around the award, which is used on letterheads, in reception and in assemblies. The School Games Mark can drive staff priorities, focus CPD across school and it is used to effectively target the PE and Sport Premium funding. For some schools, the last 8-10 years has seen a revolution in their approach to school sport. For young people, there are strong examples of individuals' development over time, positive lifestyle changes in some of the least active, pathways into community clubs and an abundance of enjoyment, positive experiences and achievements as a result of their school participating in School Games and the Mark Award.

# After completing the rigorous criteria and evidencing what we do, our application was verified, and Forefield Junior School was once again awarded the highest mark of GOLD!



Certainly, an achievement to celebrate and something to strive for in future years too.

# Next Steps

As always, first and foremost, our aim is to maintain the profile Physical Education has within the school and the local community. Forefield is known for having many successes in sport, providing a broad and exciting PE curriculum and having excellent facilities and equipment and it is paramount that this continues.

However, saying this, every establishment worth its salt does not rest on its laurels and should strive to improve - we certainly will ensure we do this over the coming year.

These are some of the ways this will be achieved:

- Provide staff with CPD in areas of the curriculum where they feel less confident (games and swimming). There are already plans in place to work with a company next academic year to improve the already excellent provision we have and provide staff with CPD.
- Ensure there is consistency in the way PE and Games are taught at Forefield. This may even be down to the kit children are wearing. This will be monitored next academic year to ensure all staff are doing the same, so all children have the same entitlement.
- Ensure as many children as possible enjoy physical exercise and understand its importance in maintaining a healthy lifestyle (linking this to mental well-being).
- Continue to teach high-quality lessons across the school. Look closely at the progression maps to ensure topics are being taught and find time to observe lessons across the school. Update or introduce new topics if appropriate.
- Continue to develop the lunchtime provision for our pupils, working with our Play Leader and other outside companies.



- Continue to provide a wide range of extra-curricular clubs for our pupils to attend. This includes
  working with outside coaches and agencies. Build partnerships with specialist coaches from our
  local community and outside coaches to provide clubs at Forefield.
- Ensure all resources are fit for purpose, in good condition and being used to full effect. Constantly monitor and check resources and equipment.
- Continue to strengthen links with Forefield Infant School, Chesterfield High School and other local schools and find opportunities to work together. Begin to work with schools that will be part of our MAT.
- Continue to monitor and assess P.E and games confidently and consistently. This will mean staff photographing and filming lessons and skills and completing pre and post learning tasks.
- Apply for the School Games Award 2024/25.

This report aims to provide a detailed overview of PE within our school, however, if any further information is required the P.E Lead, Miss Cain, would be happy to discuss things further or answer any questions.

Thank you for taking the time to read this subject report. 🕲