WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO ACHIEVE IN PE AND SCHOOL SPORT?

There are many ways of winning in PE and school sport – it’s not just about who comes first. Your teachers will be looking out for you:

1. showing commitment
2. understanding what you’re doing
3. being active and healthy
4. showing confidence
5. developing your skills
6. taking part in different activities
7. thinking for yourself
8. being keen to improve
9. building up your strength, suppleness and stamina
10. enjoying what you do!
Show commitment

→ Always be ready for PE and sport.

→ Encourage others to get involved.

→ Don’t let other people down.

→ Help to organise lessons and activities.

don’t miss out!
Do you know what you’re trying to achieve in PE and school sport? If you don’t – ask!

Find out how you will be judged for different activities.

Learn how to think differently as a dancer, athlete, gymnast, games player and problem solver.
BE ACTIVE AND HEALTHY
WITH PE AND SCHOOL SPORT

→ Being active helps to keep you fit, healthy and happy.

→ Find out how to eat well, sleep well and play well.

Being active helps to keep you fit, healthy and happy.
BE CONFIDENT

- Ask questions when you don’t understand. Give answers when you do.
- Have a go at helping others.
- Share and show what you can do.
- Try new activities!
→ Move with style!

→ The more you practise, the better you’ll get.

→ The better your skills get, the more you’ll enjoy taking part.
TAKE PART IN

DIFFERENT TYPES OF ACTIVITIES

→ What haven’t you tried yet? Give it a go!
→ Work on your own and in teams.
→ Make the best of what is on offer in school and at clubs near you.
Think about what you’re doing – use your brain, not just your body.

Come up with your own ideas to help you improve.

Choose your own way to succeed.
BE KEEN TO

IMPROVE

→ Always try your best.

→ Spend extra time practicing in and out of school – find out where and when.

→ Ask for help to get better still.
BUILD UP YOUR

STRENGTH, SUPPLENESS
AND STAMINA

The more active you are:
the stronger you’ll get
the more supple you’ll be
the longer you’ll be able to keep going.

look fit
‘feel great’
ENJOY
PE AND SCHOOL SPORT!

→ Enjoy being active with your friends.
→ Make the most of what’s on offer.
→ Just have fun!
The high quality outcomes: a measure of achievement

In the introduction to the national curriculum, three world-class performers give their views on why PE is important.

Duncan Goodhew, swimmer

"To see young people growing in physical skills, self-confidence and self-worth is a truly enriching experience. Nowhere in school is it more visible than in PE."

Lucy Pearson, England cricketer

"Physical education is about pupils learning about themselves: their capabilities, their potential and their limitations. It is the foundation of all sports participation. But it goes beyond the individual and understanding themselves – it’s learning how to work with and to respect others."

Darcey Bussell, dancer

"Exercise activates your brain and gives you energy for everything else, the energy to be enthusiastic about your work. So all your school work will gain from physical education."

All three focus on the broader qualities that pupils gain from participating in PE and sport – self-confidence, self-worth, respect for others and energy for life as a whole.

The booklet High quality PE and sport for young people takes a similarly broad view of success in PE and school sport (PESS). It highlights 10 pupil outcomes of high quality PESS, ranging from skills and understanding to commitment and enjoyment. For the first time, this:

• enables teachers to measure what many people value about PE, rather than only placing value on what is easy to measure
• provides a framework for success that gives all pupils something to achieve in PESS, not just those who are good performers.

So will a stronger focus on the high quality outcomes jeopardise standards? Not at all. In practice, the high quality outcomes underpin performance in PE and school sport – unless pupils are confident, committed and want to improve, they are unlikely to make good progress and achieve high standards.

And in the long term, pupils who achieve the high quality outcomes will leave school with characteristics and strengths that will stand them in good stead throughout life.

Why use this pack?

Schools must now work towards the Government’s target of all pupils experiencing high quality PE and school sport. In addition, Ofsted evaluates PE and sport in schools using learning outcomes that relate to pupils’ standards and their attitudes, values and other personal qualities. The high quality outcomes complement these.

This poster pack will help you to meet some of the criteria against which your school will be measured by inspiring your pupils to achieve the high quality outcomes. It will help them understand:

• how they are going to be judged in PESS – they are much more likely to succeed if they know exactly what they are trying to achieve
• that PESS isn’t just about coming first – enabling more pupils to gain self-confidence, self-worth and a sense of achievement from taking part.
How to use the pack

The posters in this pack have been designed for use with pupils from key stage 2 through to key stage 4. There are 11 posters in all – one that gives an overview of the outcomes as a whole and 10 that each focus on a different outcome. Ideally, they should be displayed as a whole set: in a row, around a room or along a corridor. Try to position them so that pupils are likely to read the overview of the outcomes first. This will help them to place each individual poster in context.

Think about where pupils are most likely to read and talk about the content of the posters. If you’re in a primary school, this may be the school hall or foyer. In a secondary school, it may be the PE corridor, changing rooms, a gym, sports hall or dance studio. If you particularly want to make the link with healthy, active lifestyles, you could also consider displaying the posters in dining areas or food technology rooms.

Making the link with ICT

From the end of October 2005, you will be able to download a PDF of the posters from the Publications section of the QCA PESS website (www.qca.org.uk/pess). As well as displaying the hard copies, you could use the electronic versions to:

- share the images with pupils in the classroom or during assembly using an interactive whiteboard or a projector screen
- create a display of images in the school foyer or as a backdrop for events such as open evenings
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High quality PE and sport for young people –
A guide to recognising and achieving high quality PE and sport in schools and clubs (March 2004)

- Do you have high quality PE and sport in your school? – A guide to self-evaluating and improving the quality of PE and school sport (January 2005)

Both of the publications above are available from DfES Publications, PO Box 5050, Shropshire Park, Annesley, Nottinghamshire NG15 0DJ. Tel: 0845 6022260. E-mail: dfes@prolog.uk.com

Sign up for more!

This pack is the first in a new series of publications about high quality PESS and how to use it to bring about whole-school improvement. If you’d like to receive copies of future publications, please complete and return the feedback form enclosed in this pack.

This poster pack is a product of the national strategy for PE, School Sport and Club Links (PESSCL), delivered by the Department for Education and Skills (DfES) and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS). The overall objective of the strategy is to increase the percentage of 5- to 16-year-olds who spend a minimum of two hours each week on high quality PE and school sport to 75 per cent by 2006 and 85 per cent by 2008.

This poster pack draws in particular on work carried out by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority as part of the PESSCL strategy. For more information, visit www.qca.org.uk/pess.

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