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# PE YEAR 9 Curriculum Newsletter

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## Curriculum Intent

A high-quality Physical Education curriculum inspires all students to participate in a broad and balanced curriculum.

It should provide opportunities for students 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. We also aim to develop the social and emotional well-being of our students.

## Year 9 Curriculum

Our Physical Education curriculum includes invasion games, striking and fielding games, net/wall games, athletics and healthy lifestyles which provides students with a well-rounded education that promotes physical activity and encourages lifelong fitness habits.

In addition to these traditional physical activities, the curriculum also includes inclusive sports such as sitting volleyball, boccia, goalball and blind football.

In Year 9, students have the option to study Sport further in addition to their one CORE PE lesson a week. In CORE PE, they start to build their knowledge of skills into tactics and strategies and apply these to game play.

Through the suite option, students gain experience in analytical roles and look deeper into the technical requirements of different activities to build their knowledge base ready for Year 10 and 11.

Students in Year 9 will continue to build on and embed the physical development and skills learned in Years 7 and 8, become more competent, confident and expert in their techniques, and apply them across different sports and physical activities.




They should understand what makes a performance effective and how to apply these principles to their own and others' work. They should develop their confidence and interest to get involved in exercise, sports and activities outside of school and in later life, and understand and apply the long-term health benefits of physical activity.

## Assessment Points




In Year 9, students are assessed against the Entry, Expected and Greater Depth 'I can' statements. Students get the opportunity mid-term to peer assess each other and identify a weakness that they would like to improve in the last week of the activity block. They are assessed on knowledge, application, leadership and officiating.

### Immerse Yourself

#### KS3 PE Revision Videos

-  Develop Skills
-  Educational Videos
-  PE Revision at Home

#### BBC Bitesize PE

-  Get Revising Quicker!
-  Videos and Links
-  Study Support and Revision

Students can use KS3 BBC Bitesize, along with a range of revision videos:

- The EverLearner KS3 PE: Diet, Nutrition and Healthy Eating Playlist - YouTube

If they are struggling with topics in lessons or want to enhance their learning in the classroom then these resources are ideal for covering content at home.

## Test Your Knowledge with Quizlet...

Quizlet's Y9 PE flashcards are a fantastic way to memorise relevant PE knowledge to help you with your studies. Click on the icon below to start!



# Praise and Reward

Our rewards system can be broadly split into four categories: classroom level, subject level, school level and privilege rewards. We'll focus on classroom and subject rewards here - for more information about our rewards schemes, please see our website.

## CLASSROOM LEVEL REWARDS

Awarded for: working hard, taking risks and rising to a challenge, making mistakes and learning from them, helping others, and taking pride in the school community.

Rewarded by: praise postcards, positive phone calls to parents/carers, positive text messages home, and lesson based prizes.

## SUBJECT LEVEL REWARDS

Reward scheme: Star of the Week, Curriculum Awards (Subject/School Way, Participation, Working with Pride, Embracing the Whole Curriculum), High Flyer, Extra Mile, Most Improved.

Rewarded by: names displayed on reward boards, certificates, social media posts.

# Broadening Horizons

Across the trust, there have been many opportunities for Year 9 to get involved in broadening their horizons in sport.

These include; the movement dance festival, ski trips, climbing events, watersport activities, football tours, Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Award, and trips to the Rotherham Civic Theatre.

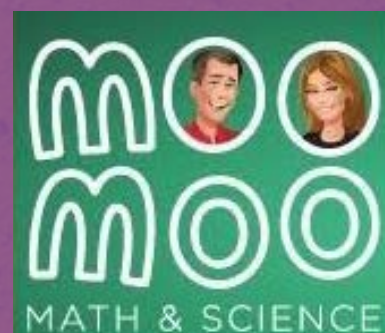


## The Rotherham Rep - Volunteering

The Rotherham Rep is one of the premier dramatic companies in the region. They present four plays each season performing at Rotherham Civic Theatre. It comes as a surprise to many people that the Rep is run by volunteers. They are always looking for new dancers and performers for their up and coming shows. Click on the logo to find out more!

## How Exercise Benefits Your Body

Exercise benefits your body in many ways. It helps your brain, cells, the respiratory system, and your circulatory system. Click on the image to watch a short animation and find out more!



# Careers

We run a series of 'Careers in the Curriculum' weeks in our school. For PE, this week takes place in the winter term.

Students take part in activities to encourage them to think about how what they learn in the classroom can be applied in a number of future careers.

One career route could be any role that requires you to be physically fit. An example that Y9 looked at was a Firefighter. When you are thinking about what you want to do in the future, it is important to think if you would like to work in a physically demanding job or not. This can affect what you choose to study or pick as a career. Click on the logo to find out more!



## The PE Way

We make Healthy Life choices, We show effort and determination, We participate in a safe manner, We solve problems, We are creative, Its about the we not the me, We are team players, We self-reflect and analyse, We are team players, We show good sportsmanship.



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