

"When pupils move through a well-sequenced curriculum their self-efficacy increases because of increased knowledge and competence."

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We create opportunities for children to transfer and build on their declarative knowledge, procedural knowledge and physical skills of the NC through multiple units. You can see our Skills and Knowledge Progression Ladders in our Awesome Stuff.

'Declarative knowledge in PE is the factual knowledge concerning movement, rules, tactics, strategies, health and participation.'

'Procedural knowledge can be viewed as the know-how to apply declarative facts.'
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By applying learning in different environments, children are using this embedded knowledge not just responding with recall.

Body Management
yoga, gymnastics, parkour
NC: develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

We offer this NC strand through both gymnastics and yoga. If your children can transfer knowledge between the activities it will help to demonstrate their understanding as well as physical skill e.g. in both yoga and gymnastics children are taught that if they squeeze their muscles to create body tension they can balance with more control and better technique.

F.M.S
fundamentals, fitness, athletics

NC: use running, jumping and throwing in isolation and in combination.
NC: develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

Fundamental movements skills underpin all activities in PE. These units allow children to develop these skills in isolation and in combination. Reinforce the teaching points for FMS in all PE units to help children increase their competence.

Key Principles of Net and Wall Games
(badminton, tennis, volleyball)

Attacking

score points

create space

placement of an object

Defending

limit points

deny space

consistently return an object

Key Principles of Invasion Games

(basketball, football, handball, hockey, netball, rugby)

Attacking

score goals

create space

maintain possession

move the ball towards goal

Defending

stop goals

deny space

gain possession

Games

NC: use running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in combination.
NC: play competitive games, modified where appropriate and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending.

Within games units, children are taught physical skills to enable them to apply these skills to principles e.g. to move with a ball towards goal, an attacking principle, pupils need to have competency to dribble or pass to achieve this.

Progression of skills and knowledge are reinforced through our games units, where you use an activity, not as an isolated unit, but as a vehicle to teach the NC outcomes via it's principles of attacking and defending, application of skill with rules and boundaries of the given game.

Teaching a variety of units in the same game area allows children to improve understanding by applying their knowledge with different sets of rules and using different equipment e.g. if you choose to teach how to create space and apply tactics through netball children are encouraged to further develop this knowledge by applying it to other invasion games such as hockey.

Another example is children being taught that placing an object away from an opponent will give them more success at scoring points, which can be applied to all striking and fielding games such as cricket and rounders.

Key Principles of Striking and Fielding Games
(cricket and rounders)

Attacking

score points

placement of an object

avoid getting out

Defending

limit points

deny space

get opponents out

Key Principles of Target Games
(dodgeball, golf)

Attacking

placement of an object

Defending

avoid getting out

Dance

NC: perform dances using a range of movement patterns.

The NC states that you have to teach OAA and dance by the end of KS2.

OAA
outdoor

adventure activities
NC: take part in outdoor and adventurous activity challenges both individually and within a team.

Swimming

NC: all schools must provide swimming instruction either in Key Stage 1 or Key Stage 2.