

Sign:

Date: March 2023

Review: March 2025 or sooner if required

PE Safety

We believe that all children and school personnel are given the opportunity to work in a safe environment at all times. Therefore, we will take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of the school premises and that all PE equipment conforms to British Standards Institute and European Community Standards.

All teachers will undertake appropriate training in PE planning and safety procedures.

Aims:

- To ensure all pupils access PE safely.
- To ensure that all safety procedures and risk assessments are in place and reviewed annually.
- To support teachers to deliver the PE curriculum safely.

Procedures:

Role of the Governing Body

- The GB has:
 - appointed a member of staff to be the Coordinator for Health and Safety and a member of staff for PE;
 - nominated link governors to visit the school regularly, to liaise with the coordinator and to report back to the GB;
 - a responsibility for the effective implementation, monitoring and evaluation of this policy.

Role of the Headteacher

- The Headteacher will:
 - ensure school personnel and parents are aware of the health and safety procedures involving PE safety;
 - ensure that all teachers undertake appropriate training;
 - ensure that all risk assessments are in place and equipment is maintained and repaired;
 - ensure the effective implementation, monitoring and evaluation of this policy.

Role of the Health and Safety and PE Coordinators/ Leaders

- The coordinators/ leaders will ensure that:
 - teachers undertake PE safety training;
 - equipment and apparatus is checked, maintained and repaired;
 - risk assessments, accident reporting and emergency procedures are in place.

Role of Teachers

- Teachers will:
 - cooperate with all safety procedures;
 - safeguard the health and safety of pupils and will take reasonable care of themselves;
 - wear appropriate clothing;
 - always check the condition of the floor area where any PE activity is taken;
 - check all apparatus and equipment before use,
 - report any faulty equipment;
 - teach the children about the need for safety and for good behaviour;
 - ensure that children are dressed appropriately;
 - ensure that children remove all jewellery;
 - ensure that long hair is tied back;
 - be aware of the capabilities of the children and will include differentiated activities in their planning;
 - be aware of children's medical conditions;
 - adopt a position where they are able to view and effectively supervise children when working;
 - supervise the children all the time;
 - report all accidents and injuries.

Role of Parents

- Parents will be informed of the school policy on clothing, jewellery and PE safety procedures via the school brochure and school website.

Training

- Teachers will attend regular training as part of their continuous professional development and will be kept up to date with new information by the Subject Leadership for PE.

Equipment

- All equipment is checked:
 - each time it is used;
 - annually by a contractor employed by the school or by the LA.

Effectiveness

- We believe this policy will be effective only if we ensure consistency across the school by regular monitoring.