

PE Curriculum Statement

At Moat Farm Junior School, PE is at the heart of our curriculum. PE has the power to promote the personal development for every child physically, emotionally, socially and cognitively. When piecing the PE curriculum together, being physically active, living a healthy lifestyle and creating a curriculum that is inclusive and inspiring for all was the goal.

The ethos for PE within our school is in line with our school values: optimism, acceptance and achievement. Our PE curriculum design will ensure the whole school community has an opportunity to be a piece of this jigsaw that will enable all to live a healthy lifestyle inside and outside of our school. Moat Farm serves a vibrant and diverse area, and this has been at the forefront when designing our PE curriculum. Our curriculum design enables all children to be able to succeed in physical education and sport and to understand the components of and how to live a healthy lifestyle. This will have a positive effect on choices about their future and their impact as they progress through their school career and beyond.

We are ambitious about what our children with SEND can achieve and take into consideration their barriers to learning but ensure these do not limit their opportunities. Teachers should have high expectations for all, the more able children will be challenged physically, cognitively, social and emotionally through sport. This will give every child the best opportunity to have a positive and successful sporting journey through Moat Farm and beyond.

The PE curriculum is progressive as children move through the school, building on previous knowledge and skills and acquire new, more complex skills and pieces of knowledge. By the end of KS2, children will have an in-depth knowledge of the required outcomes stated in the National Curriculum and will be able to demonstrate the required skills and more. The sporting activities included within the PE curriculum have been chosen to meet the needs and challenges our children face. The sports included in this curriculum have a focus on physical activity, teamwork, problem solving and competition. We understand the importance of all these values and want this to be reflected in the PE curriculum. Alongside the core PE curriculum activities, we have chosen sporting activities that the children have not experienced before. This is to give our PE curriculum a unique design and a design that matches the needs of our children. The aim is for children to really enjoy learning new sports and applying their skills to a range of new sports.

Children within PE will be assessed as a whole child. We will not just be assessing their physical skills, we will be assessing their cognitive skills through retrieval quizzes, their emotional skills and their social skills. We understand that PE can contribute to improving all these areas and can enable children to be better people as a whole. Once assessed, interventions will be put into place to ensure every child is valued and every child is given the opportunity to become a better person. As a school, we understand the impact Covid-19 has had on the PE curriculum and have acted accordingly. We have ensured our PE curriculum promotes physical activity and a healthy lifestyle and have ensured that children have opportunities to revisit areas of learning that they have missed.

At Moat Farm, we understand the importance of being able to swim. This is a vital life skill that we want all children to acquire whilst being in our care. We have a swimming programme with the local swimming baths that gives children the opportunity to swim 25 metres using a range of strokes. As well as this, children are taught the importance of water safety and self-rescue.

We aim for all children to live a healthy lifestyle and want them to enjoy taking part in physical activity. The PE curriculum has been designed to inspire children to want to take part in sport within school and outside of school. We want the children to see themselves in the curriculum through inspirational figures, moments and memories. When children leave our school, we want them to continue to have a love and a passion for sport and living a healthy lifestyle. This will be achieved through the curriculum design and our school ethos.

This PE curriculum is adaptive and will adapt to strive for excellence. We will review and improve all areas of the curriculum to ensure that our children are receiving the best possible curriculum that meets their needs individually, as a group and as a school community.