



Physical Education Curriculum Area – Teacher of Physical Education

The PE team currently consists of seven full-time and one part-time specialised, experienced teachers. In addition, the school employs both a netball coach and a rugby coach.

PE plays a crucial role in developing students' character, grit and perseverance and is therefore a core subject for all students in Key Stages 3, 4 and 5. Students in Y7 and Y8 have four hours of PE per fortnight, Y9 have three hours and Y10 onwards have two hours per fortnight. Students are taught in mixed ability but single sex classes.

In Key Stage 3 and students are taught in six 7-week blocks. Boys cover rugby, football, basketball, gymnastics, OAA, cricket and athletics. Girls cover netball, rugby, football, gymnastics, OAA, cricket and athletics. The curriculum ensures students are given time and opportunity to secure strong skills in preparation for GCSE PE.

Currently at GCSE and A level OCR specifications are taught. There are two GCSE classes in both Y10 and Y11 studying GCSE PE. The subject has always had strong take-up and profile in the school. There are good numbers of students currently studying A level PE and there are classes in both Year 12 and 13. In addition, a Sports Technical qualification is offered and take-up for this is also strong. Results in all three qualifications have been consistently high and above national averages.

The school offers an extensive co-curricular programme, to which all members of the PE team contribute. The school's co-curricular programme runs at both lunchtime and afterschool and includes the following activities such as: rugby, netball, football, basketball, cricket, athletics, and dance / cheer. In particular rugby and netball have their own academies which are led by specialist coaches and fixtures and training are supported by the PE team. The standard of performance in both sports is high and we are looking to build on this to compete at the highest level possible.

The subject team has a strong track record of enriching sport and PE through a programme of overseas visits and more local visits including netball and football tours to Spain, rugby tours to Holland.

We are now seeking to appoint an energetic and committed teacher to contribute to the further success of this curriculum area.

As the Kent Teaching School Hub, Bennett is strongly committed to developing teachers professionally, and believes that all staff should have an active and positive role to play in the development of policy and practice. This generates great enthusiasm and a strong sense of teamwork. As a school we invest strongly in teacher professional development.