

Our Intent

We strive for excellence in physical education, school sport and physical activity through the delivery of a high quality, engaging and exciting curriculum. Lessons provide tiers of learning for every pupil to ensure appropriate challenge throughout. Our clear, shared learning journey continually develops pupils' physical literacy. Non-physical values and targets are embedded into lessons to support the growth of the whole child through PE.

We aim to provide opportunities for children to engage in competitive sport and other physically demanding activities to build character and confidence. Our aim is to encourage and inspire lifelong participation within PE, sport and physical activity so that, by the time our pupils leave us, they will be well equipped with the skills, the knowledge, and the confidence required to actively participate in the competitive sporting world around them. They will be taught a wide range of sports, the rules, skills and tactics needed to play them, so that they can confidently be part of any sporting activity offered to them.

Implementation

Every year group takes part in at least 2 hours of PE each week. We ensure our lessons have a key skill as the main lesson objective. These skills are broken down for each year group to ensure appropriate progression from Early Years up to Year 6. PE lessons take place either on our playground, in our Old Chapel Hall or across at the large, village field.

Our excellent Sports Lead delivers PE lessons to each class supported by a teaching assistant. The Sports Lead also runs our extra-curricular sports clubs. The Sports Lead has an extension range of sports qualifications and works for PH Sports in rural and inner-city schools providing excellent coaching on a range of sports development. Each of our children is known very well as the Sports Lead has a long-standing relationship with Hillesley School.

We also invite specialist coaches to teach children skills from Gloucestershire Cricket, Mrs Bates from Katherine Lady Berkeley School, Diddydance, Playleaders Training etc. Our children also participate in swimming lessons at Dursley Pool where they learn to swim in accordance with the National Curriculum statutory requirements.

Hillesley School is a member of the **Dursley & Wotton Sports Association** and this allows our children opportunity to take part in a wide range games and competitive sports including football, tag-rugby, netball, hockey, swimming, multi-skills, cross-country, athletics etc.

Children at Hillesley School have numerous opportunities to perform on stage each year. In the autumn, we have a Harvest celebration and a Christmas Nativity play. In the spring/summer, we have a whole-school poetry competition and end of year performance at St Giles Church. We are also very lucky to have the Old Chapel Hall in which to perform on stage. We also have a weekly after-school drama club which all children are welcome to attend.

Impact

Our PE curriculum facilitates sequential learning and long-term progression of knowledge and skills. Teaching and learning methods provide regular opportunities to recap acquired knowledge through high quality questioning, discussion, modelling and explaining, to aid retrieval at the beginning and end of a lesson or unit. This enables all children to commit learning to their long-term memory, know more, remember more and be able to do more as children living a healthy lifestyle, whilst fostering a lifelong love of physical activity, sport and PE.

We assess the impact of our PE curriculum through questioning during lessons, pupil voice and end of unit assessments and learning walks.