

## PE and Health Faculty

The PE and Health Faculty is resourced by six teachers and a technician. The department's philosophy is simple; to encourage life-long participation and enjoyment of sport and physical activity through a wide and varied programme of activities which support the acquisition and development of knowledge, skills and a healthy, active lifestyle. Competition is encouraged with inter-house tournaments set frequently throughout the year during curriculum time at KS3. We run a very successful Sports Awards evening which celebrates the successes of our most talented and hardworking students.

KS3 PE students engage in a mastery curriculum which aims to deepen their knowledge and understanding in all activity areas. Further, an individualised curriculum will ensure that all abilities are fully challenged and catered for. During years 10 and 11 students are given the opportunity to advance their knowledge and skills in a wide range of sports and activities.

Beyond the statutory core PE provision accessed by all students there are opportunities for students to extend their learning through academic and vocational routes combined with a varied and vibrant programme of extracurricular activities and opportunities.

Within the optional KS4 curriculum, students can currently choose to study either GCSE PE or BTEC Level 1 / 2 Tech Award in Sport. Currently, we have BTEC and GCSE groups in both years 10 and 11. Uptake into Academic PE pathways at KS4 is highly impressive. Progression is provided through the BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Sport and A Level PE in Sixth Form.

For Health at KS4 we currently offer BTEC Level 1 / 2 Tech Award in Health and Social Care with groups in year 10 and 11. Students have the opportunity to progress onto the BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care in Sixth Form.

All students are encouraged to participate in an extensive programme of extra-curricular activities. Over recent years we have had considerable individual and team successes at Area, County and National level. The department has developed strong reciprocal relationships with other local schools, sports clubs and the University of Chichester. We also run a popular sports tour trip alternate years to destinations such as Spain, Netherlands, Greece and Malta. We will be embarking on our first ski trip this coming year.

We have extensive facilities to support teaching and learning in PE and sport:

- sports hall (catering for 4 badminton courts)
- standard gymnasium
- 3G football pitch
- three grass football/rugby pitches
- one grass hockey pitch
- Long jump pit
- Trampolines
- Dance studio

We believe that PE at Denefield School offers students a truly life changing experience, opportunity, support and achievement.