



Physical Education Knowledge and Skills Progression

Nursery	Reception	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
 balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming. Personal, Social and Emotional Development Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing. Physical Development Continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes and bikes) and ball skills. Go up steps and stairs, or climb up apparatus, using alternate feet. Skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues. Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks. Start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams. Increasingly be able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm. Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting. For example, they decide whether to crawl, walk or run across a plank, depending on its length and width 	Develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming. Physical Development ELG: Gross Motor Skills - Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others; - Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing; - Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing. Personal, Social and Emotional Development ELG: Managing Self - Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge; - Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly; - Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing: regular physical activity and healthy eating Expressive Arts and Design ELG: Being Imaginative and Expressive - Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music. - Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.	Pupils should develop fundamental movement skills, become increasingly competent and confident and access a broad range of opportunities to extend their agility, balance and coordination, individually and with others. They should be able to engage in competitive (both against self and against others) and co-operative physical activities, in a range of increasingly challenging situations. Pupils should be taught to: - Master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities - Participate in team games, developing simple tactics for attacking and defending - Perform dances using simple movement patterns Swimming and water safety All schools must provide swimming instruction either in key stage 1 or key stage 2. In particular, pupils should be taught to: - Swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres - Use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke] - Perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations.	Pupils should continue to apply and develop a broader range of skills, learning how to use them in different ways and to link them to make actions and sequences of movement. They should enjoy communicating, collaborating and competing with each other. They should develop an understanding of how to improve in different physical activities and sports and learn how to evaluate and recognise their own success. Pupils should be taught to: -Use running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in combination - Play competitive games, modified where appropriate [for example, badminton, basketball, cricket, football, hockey, netball, rounders and tennis], and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending - Develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance [for example, through athletics and gymnastics] - Perform dances using a range of movement patterns - Take part in outdoor and adventurous activity challenges both individually and within a team - Compare their performances with previous ones and demonstrate improvement to achieve their personal





Dance	Nursery/Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Acquiring and developing skills	Begin to use dynamics and expression with guidance. Begin to count to music. Combine different movements with ease and fluency.	Explore movement ideas and respond imaginatively to a range of stimuli Move confidently and safely in their own and general space, using changes of speed, level and direction	Explore, remember, repeat and link a range of actions with co- ordination, control and an awareness of the expressive qualities of dance	Improvise freely on their own and with a partner, translating ideas from a stimulus into movement	Explore and create characters and narratives in response to a range of stimuli	Explore and improvise ideas for dances in different styles, working on their own, with a partner and in a group	Explore, improvise and combine movement ideas fluently an
Selecting and applying skills, tactics and compositional ideas	Travel in different pathways using the space around them. Choose and use travelling actions, shapes and balances Copy basic body actions and rhythms.	Compose and link movement to make simple dances with clear beginnings, middles and ends Perform movement phrases using a range of body actions and body parts Copy, watch and describe dance movement	Compose and perform dance phrases and short dances that express and communicate moods, ideas and feelings choosing and varying simple compositional ideas	Create and link dance phrases using a simple dance structure or motif Perform dances with an awareness of rhythmic, dynamic and expressive qualities, on their own, with a partner and in small groups	Use simple choreographic principles to create motifs and narrative Perform complex dance phrases and dances that communicate character and narrative	Compose dances by using adapting and developing steps, formations and patterning from different dance styles Perform dances expressively, using a range of performance skills	Create and structure motifs, phrases, sections and whole dances Begin to use basic compositional principles when creating their dances
Knowledge and understanding of fitness and health	Recognise how their body feels when still and exercising	Recognise how their body feels when still and exercising	Recognise and describe how different dance activities make them feel Understand the importance of warming up and cooling down	Keep up activity over a period of time and know they need to warm up and cool down for dance	Know and describe what you need to do to warm up and cool down for dance	Organise their own warm-up and cool-down activities to suit the dance Show an understanding of why it is important to warm up and cool down	Understand why dance is good for their fitness, health and wellbeing Prepare effectively for dancing
Evaluating and improving performance	Talk about their movements	Talk about dance ideas inspired by different stimuli	Watch and describe dance phrases and dances and use what they learn to improve their own work	Describe and evaluate some of the compositional features of dances performed with a partner and in a group Talk about how they might improve their dances	Describe, interpret and evaluate their own and others' dances, taking account of character and narrative	Describe, analyse, interpret and evaluate dances, showing an understanding of some aspects of style and context	Understand how a dance is formed and performed Evaluate, refine and develop their own and others work





Games	Nursery/Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Acquiring and developing skills	Drop and catch with two hands. Run and stop when instructed. Hit a ball with hands. Move a ball with feet. Throw and roll a variety of beanbags and larger balls to space.	Be confident and safe in the spaces used to play games Explore and use skills, actions and ideas individually and in combination to suit the game they are playing	Improve the way they coordinate and control their bodies and a range of equipment Remember, repeat and link combinations of skills	Consolidate and improve the quality of their techniques and their ability to link movements Develop the range and consistency of their skills in all games	Develop the range and consistency of their skills in all games	Develop a broader range of techniques and skills for attacking and defending 2 develop consistency in their skills	Choose, combine and perform skills more fluently and effectively in invasion, striking and net games
Selecting and applying skills, tactics and compositional ideas	Run and stop when instructed. Attempt to stop a large ball sent to them using feet Stop a beanbag or large ball sent to them using hands.	Choose and use skills effectively for particular games	Choose, use and vary simple tactics	Improve their ability to choose and use simple tactics and strategies Keep, adapt and make rules for striking and fielding and net games	Devise and use rules Keep, adapt and make rules for striking and fielding and net games Use and adapt tactics in different situations	Know and apply the basic strategic and tactical principles of attack, and to adapt them to different situations oose and apply skills more consistently in all activities	Understand, choose and apply a range of tactics and strategies for defence and attack Use these tactics and strategies more consistently in similar games
Knowledge and understanding of fitness and health	Recognise how their body feels when still and exercising	Recognise how their body feels when still and exercising	Recognise and describe what their bodies feel like during different types of activity	Know and describe the short-term effects of different exercise activities on the body Know how to improve stamina Begin to understand the importance of warming up	Recognise which activities help their speed, strength and stamina and know when they are important in games Recognise how specific activities affect their bodies	Know and understand the basic principles of warming up, and understand why it is important for a good- quality performance Understand why exercise is good for their fitness, health and wellbeing	Understand why exercise is good for their fitness, health and wellbeing Understand the need to prepare properly for games
Evaluating and improving performance	Talk about what they are doing	Watch, copy and describe what others are doing Describe what they are doing	Recognise good quality in performance Use information to improve their work	Recognise good performance and identify the parts of a performance that need improving Use what they have learned to improve their work	Explain their ideas and plans Recognise aspects of their work that need improving Suggest practices to improve their play	Choose and use information to evaluate their own and others' work Suggest improvements in own and others' performances	Develop their ability to evaluate their own and others' work, and to suggest ways to improve it Know why warming up and cooling down are important





Gymnastics /Yoga	Nursery/Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Acquiring and developing skills	Create shapes showing a basic level of stillness using different parts of their bodies Show shapes and actions that stretch their bodies. Begin to take weight on different body parts.	Explore gymnastics actions and still shapes Move confidently and safely in their own and general space, using change of speed and direction	Remember, repeat and link combinations of gymnastic actions, body shapes and balances with control and precision	Consolidate and improve the quality of their actions, body shapes and balances, and their ability to link movements	Develop the range of actions, body shapes and balances they include in a performance Perform skills and actions more accurately and consistently	Perform actions, shapes and balances consistently and fluently in specific activities	Combine and perform gymnastic actions, shapes and balances more fluently and effectively across the activity areas
Selecting and applying skills, tactics and compositional ideas	Copy and link simple actions together Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group.	Copy or create and link movement phrases with beginnings, middles and ends Perform movement phrases using a range of body actions and body parts Know how to carry and place apparatus	Choose, use and vary simple compositional ideas in the sequences they create and perform. Lift, move and place equipment safely	Improve their ability to select appropriate actions and use simple compositional ideas	Create gymnastic sequences that meet a theme or set of conditions Use compositional devices when creating their sequences, such as changes in speed, level and direction	Choose and apply basic compositional ideas to the sequences they create, and adapt them to new situations	Develop their own gymnastic sequences by understanding, choosing and applying a range of compositional\principles
Knowledge and understanding of fitness and health	Recognise how their body feels when still and exercising	Recognise how their body feels when still and when exercising	Recognise and describe what their bodies feel like during different types of activity	Recognise and describe the short term effects of exercise on the body during different activities I know the importance of suppleness and strength	Describe how the body reacts during different types of activity and how this affects the way they perform	Know and understand the basic principles of warming up and why it is important for good quality performance Understand why physical activity is good for their health	Understand why warming-up and cooling- down are important Understand why exercise is good for health, fitness and wellbeing, and how to become healthier themselves Carry out warm ups safely and effectively
Evaluating and improving performance	Talk about what they are doing	Watch copy and describe what they and others have done	Improve their work using information they have gained by watching, listening and investigating	Describe and evaluate the effectiveness and quality of a performance Recognise how their own performance has improved	Describe their own and others' work, making simple judgements about the quality of performances and suggesting ways they could be improved	Choose and use information and basic criteria to evaluate their own and others' work	Evaluate their own and others' work Suggest ways of making improvements





Athletics	Nursery/Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Acquiring and developing skills	Run and stop with some control. Jump and hop with bent knees.	Throw towards a target. Begin to show balance and co-ordination when changing direction.	Show balance and co- ordination when running at different speeds. Use an overarm throw to help me to throw for	Consolidate and improve the quality, range and consistency of the techniques they use for particular activities	Demonstrate the difference in sprinting and jogging techniques.	Develop the consistency of their actions in a number of events Increase the number of	Perform jumps for distance using good technique. Select and apply the best
	Throwing larger balls and beanbags into space. Explore skipping as a travelling action.	Develop overarm throwing. Run at different speeds	distance.	Throw a variety of objects, changing my action for accuracy and distance.	Throw with some accuracy and power to a target area.	techniques they use	pace for a running event. Show accuracy and good technique when throwing for distance
Selecting and applying skills, tactics and compositional ideas	Change direction at a slow pace Explore moving different body parts together Balance whilst stationary and on the move.	Use their bodies and a variety of equipment with greater control and coordination	Use their bodies and a variety of equipment with greater control and coordination	Develop their ability to choose and use simple tactics and strategies in different situations	Choose and use simple tactics and strategies in different situations	Choose appropriate techniques for specific events	Choose and use appropriate techniques for specific events
Knowledge and understanding of fitness and health	Recognise how their body feels when still and exercising	Describe how my body feels during exercise.	Recognise and describe what their bodies feel like during different types of activity	Know, measure and describe the short-term effects of exercise on the body Describe how the body reacts to different types of activity	Know, measure and describe the short-term effects of exercise on the body	Understand the basic principles of warming up Understand why exercise is good for fitness, health and wellbeing	Understand that there are different areas of fitness and how this helps me in different activities. Use different strategies to persevere to achieve my personal best.
Evaluating and improving performance	Talk about what they are doing	Watch copy and describe what they and others have done	Improve their work using information they have gained by watching, listening and investigating	Describe and evaluate the effectiveness and quality of a performance Recognise how their own performance has improved	Explain what happens in my body when I warm up. Describe their own and others' work, making simple judgements about the quality of performances and suggesting ways they could be improved	Choose and use information and basic criteria to evaluate their own and others' work	Identify my own and others' strengths and areas for development and can suggest ways to improve.





OAA	Nursery/Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
National Curriculum 2014				Pupils should be taught to: - take part in outdoor and adventurous activity challenges both individually and within a team			team
Acquiring and developing skills				Recognise their own space Explore finding different pl Develop the range and con work with others to solve o	laces sistency of their skills and	Develop and refine oriente skills when working in grou	ering and problem-solving ups and on their own
Selecting and applying skills, tactics and compositional ideas				Follow simple routes and t successfully Solve simple challenges an Choose and apply strategie requirements of a task or c	es and skills to meet the	Decide what approach to u set Adapt their skills and unde from familiar to unfamiliar	rstanding as they move
Knowledge and understanding of fitness and health				Recognise the effect of diff and to prepare for them pl Work safely	ferent activities on the body hysically	Understand how the challe adventurous activities can and wellbeing	
Evaluating and improving performance				Describe and evaluate thei performances, and identify	r own and others' y areas that need improving	See the importance of a gr value of pooling ideas Improve their performance or adapting their approach	e by changing





Swimming	Year 1 and Year 2	Year 3- Year 6
		Consolidate and develop the quality of their skills e.g front crawl, back crawl, breaststroke,
Acquiring and developing skills	Work with confidence in the water	floating, survival skills
	Explore and use skills, actions and ideas individually and in combination e.g. use arms to pull and push the water; use legs in kicking actions; hold their breath under water	Improve linking movements and actions
	Remember, repeat and link skills	
	Know how to choose and use skills for different swimming tasks e.g. using arms to stay balanced,	Choose and use a variety of strokes and skills, according to the task .and the challenge e.g.
Selecting and applying skills, tactics and	knowing what to push against the water to move in a particular direction	swimming without aids, distance and time challenges
compositional ideas	Improve the control and co-ordination of their bodies in water	
	Know that being active is fun and good for them	Know and describe the short-term effects of exercise on the body and how it reacts to
Knowledge and understanding of fitness and health	Recognise what their bodies feel like during different activities	different types of activity
	Recognise how to improve	Describe and evaluate the quality of swimming and recognise what needs improving
Evaluating and improving		
performance		