

PE Annual Report 2016/17

Throughout the academic year 2016/17 PE has continued to be a priority at Denver V C Primary to ensure that all children in our school receive high quality PE/Sport.

This year all children across the school have worked towards completing the Legacy Challenge. The aim of the initiative was 'inspiring young people to be more physically active and lead healthier lifestyles'. The children had to complete as many challenges as they could in order to work towards either a bronze, silver or gold certificate. All children achieved at least the bronze award, with many aiming high and achieving gold.

We have continued to have Playground Buddies this year. The children had to apply to be considered, writing a letter of application to the Headteacher. They have worked on a rota system to help on the KS2 playground.

Sport's representatives on the school council have continued this year. George and Luke, both from Class 4, took up this role.

We have encouraged children to complete match reports after they have competed in cluster events. These can be found in the PE folder.

The children have participated in many sporting events throughout the year, including:

- Tag rugby
- Cluster Netball
- Community Cup Football
- Cluster Cross Country
- Area Cross Country
- Cluster Tri Golf
- Cluster Football League
- Cluster Netball League
- Cluster Mini Tennis
- Cluster Area Sports
- KS2 Dance Festival
- KS1 Multi-skills
- Cluster Swimming Gala
- Cluster Rounders

Joe Manning voluntarily ran a club to prepare the children for the kwik cricket tournament. Unfortunately, this year we were on our residential visit when the event took place and were therefore unable to attend. The children still enjoyed training for it.

We participated in both the cluster netball and football leagues this year. Both teams played well and showed much improvement as the year progressed.

The cross country team performed extremely well at the cluster event and many children then progressed onto the area finals.

We once again entered the Y3/4 tri golf cluster event. They performed really well and demonstrated excellent teamwork.

A group of 4 children from Y3/4 attended the cluster tennis tournament.

A number of children from KS2 represented the school in the cluster area sports competition. They all worked extremely hard and many children won events, or came 2nd or 3rd. They were crowned overall winners of the small schools' competition for the third year running, something we were very proud of.

Throughout the spring term the children in Class 4 attended swimming lessons at Downham Market Leisure Centre. Most children in Y6 managed to swim the expected 25 metres without stopping. We also attended the cluster swimming gala.

The children competed in the cluster netball tournament and the Community Football Cup. Both events were enjoyed by those who participated in them.

This year a new rounders festival was held at Upwell Academy. The children from Y3/4 attended.

We have continued to hold intra-school competitions (sporting events where children can compete against each other within school) this year. We organised a KS1 multi-skills event in the spring term and a KS2 rounders event in the summer term. Both events proved to be successful and we aim to have one event each term next year.

In order to ensure children in KS1 had opportunities to participate in cluster sporting events we again hosted a summer term multi-skills event here at Denver. The children in Y5 planned and organised the activities, developing their young leader skills.

After school sporting clubs have continued throughout the year. These have included football, dance, hockey, gymnastics, netball, rounders, kwik cricket, fitness, tennis and athletics. A cookery club has also run and promotes healthy eating.

Being a small school it is often hard to run a range of sporting clubs, therefore we have continued to employ Andrea Glover from Finish Line Sports to deliver football, hockey, gymnastics, netball, tennis, rounders, fitness and athletics clubs. We have also arranged for her to continue in the autumn term.

We held another successful sports day in June and the red team were the winners this year. We continued to have a KS1 carousel as we felt that this worked well previously and enabled all children to take part and gain a sense of achievement. The KS1 events were also organised and run by the children in Y6. The children in KS2 took part in more traditional races.

Cross curricular links continue to be sought to ensure that PE is integrated into the rest of the curriculum.

We have continued to have a High Quality PE board which displays photos of the children's achievements in PE and sport. We have again encouraged the children to bring in evidence of their sporting achievements outside of school, as we believe that these should be celebrated too. The board is regularly updated and the children gain a great sense of pride in having their achievements acknowledged in this way.

Sporting events are shared on our school website and in newsletters. They are also put into our Events Folder. This enables parents to keep up to date with sporting successes in the school.

The PE subject leader has attended all the PLT meetings throughout the year and strives to ensure that High Quality PE is being provided across the school.

New playground equipment has been also purchased for the field at lunch and play times from the children's School Council funds.

We have engaged with elements of the PE inset programme. A risk assessment course was attended and information cascaded down to other members of staff.

Overall, this year we have continued to improve our provision for PE throughout the school and the children have achieved many sporting successes. We believe that we are continuing to deliver High Quality PE to our children.