

Don Valley Academy SMSC Statement – Physical Education

Spiritual Development:

Within Physical Education we offer a range of activities that students can participate in, whether it is core PE lessons, BTEC lessons, CTEC lessons, GCSE lessons or extra-curricular clubs, students develop a sense of enjoyment and curiosity in learning. Within physical education we encourage students to use their imagination and creativity in their learning in a variety of sports and allow students to reflect on their experiences. For example, in KS3 & KS4 gymnastics, trampolining and synchronised swimming lessons allow students to be creative in sequences. Additionally, through a range of activities involved in PE we focus on team building to support student's motivation and determination.

Moral Development:

Physical Education teaches students unwritten rules. It allows students to learn about code of conduct, etiquette, respecting the opposition, fair play and sportsmanship. In all activities covered within physical education, students are expected to abide by rules and regulations, gaining understanding of a variety of sports. It also teaches students the consequences of their negative actions, which in turn help students apply this understanding to their own lives. For example, in BTEC and GCSE PE, students learn about deviance issues in sport, such as the use of performance enhancing drugs.

Social Development:

Physical education use of range of social skills in a variety of contexts, this includes working and socialising with students from different religious, ethnic and social-economic background. This allows student to participate in a variety of social setting, cooperating well with others and being able to resolve conflicts effectively. Within physical education, practical lessons provide students with the opportunity to lead warm ups, skill practices and officiate games to enhance their social skills. Having the opportunity to take part in extra-curricular and fixtures allows students to develop their social skills further, through meeting new people, communicating with others and interacting with adults e.g. referees.

Cultural Development:

Within physical education, students are provided with a vast array of opportunities to participate in activities and respond with a willingness to get involved. As a department we encourage students to develop positive attitudes towards different religious, ethnic and socio-economic groups in the local, national and global communities. We offer trips to other countries involving Paris and Switzerland which give students excellent opportunities to experience different cultures.