

## Strategies for supporting pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in PE lessons

How we will help your child	
Anxiety	<ul> <li>Acknowledge and normalise feelings of anxiety in sports.</li> <li>Make a game plan - The structure of lessons will be shared allowing children to understand their learning journey.</li> <li>Staying positive - Children will be provided with positive feedback, reinforcing what went well and celebrating the individual's successes throughout each lesson.</li> <li>Practice makes perfect - Provide opportunities for children to rehearse/revisit areas of focus to reinforce confidence.</li> </ul>
Autism Spectrum Disorder	<ul> <li>Sensory breaks are given whenever necessary.</li> <li>Time will be taken to build a strong and trusting relationship with the child so that the children feel safe and secure.</li> <li>The children always have access to a quiet break out space should they feel they need to.</li> <li>The staff are prepared to recognise a change of behaviour as a need for communication and will be prepared to address this with care and a calm attitude.</li> </ul>
Dyslexia	• Instructions will be short and clear with visual representations (diagrams, pictures, illustrations) to support.
Dyspraxia	• Adaptations to space, time and equipment e.g. a larger ball during throwing and catching activities.
Visual Impairment	• Adaptations to space, time and equipment e.g. a larger ball during throwing and catching activities.
Experienced Trauma	<ul> <li>The PE learning environment will be a calm, trusting place where children feel supported with their emotions at all times.</li> <li>Adults working with the child will be aware of any triggers and any ways to further support the child within the classroom.</li> <li>There will be a consistent approach to expectations and behaviour that are based on positive praise</li> <li>All PE sessions will be underpinned by self-awareness and positivity.</li> </ul>
Tourette Syndrome	<ul> <li>Adaptations such as the opportunity to handle equipment/resources before the lesson to ensure that individuals can participate as appropriate.</li> </ul>
Speech Language and Communication Needs	<ul> <li>Visual displays will be used to support understanding of key information.</li> <li>Non-verbal clues will be used to back up what is being said.</li> <li>Makaton signs will be used to support children's understanding.</li> <li>Any verbal instructions/information will be at a slow, clear pace that matches the child's understanding.</li> <li>Adults will regularly check the child's understanding so that adults can identify any misconceptions or misunderstandings.</li> </ul>
Cognition and Learning Challenges	<ul> <li>Positive praise will be used so that the child knows they are doing well.</li> <li>Encourage/support and praise independent learning.</li> <li>Key vocabulary and ideas will be addressed regularly throughout the PE lesson to check understanding.</li> <li>Information will be repeated clearly.</li> <li>Children will be provided with a 'work-buddy' during peer activities/opportunities</li> </ul>
Toileting Issues	<ul> <li>Children will be able to leave and return to the classroom whenever necessary.</li> <li>All adults and children within the classroom environment will respect the child's privacy.</li> </ul>
Hearing	<ul> <li>Adults will ensure they are facing the child when they are talking/giving instructions.</li> <li>Adults will (discreetly) ensure the child's hearing aid is turned on before the lesson begins.</li> </ul>

Impairment	<ul> <li>Questions and any information given by peers will be repeated clearly to ensure the child has heard what their peers have asked/said.</li> <li>Children will be towards the front to ensure they have a clear line of vision.</li> </ul>
Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder	<ul> <li>A non-confrontational approach will be used in every aspect of the PE lesson .</li> <li>Verbal praise is given whenever necessary to help boost confidence and self esteem.</li> <li>Use of pictorial representations to support the learning taking place.</li> <li>Ensure all rules are consistently implemented and revisited so that this becomes routine.</li> <li>Have a secure 'time-out' area that the child can visit if needed.</li> <li>Consider clear rewards to reinforce any positive behaviour</li> <li>Headphones can be used to allow for breaks when the child is feeling over-stimulated</li> </ul>

For children with specific needs not mentioned above a tailored personalised approach will be adopted, this will be developed in consultation with parents and other professionals.