



Jesus said 'I have come so that you might have life - life in all its fullness' St John's gospel Chapter 10, verse 10

Brill Church of England School

PHYSICAL EDUCATION COMPETITIVE SPORT

OVERVIEW, AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AND SELECTION

POLICY

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Introduction

At Brill School we are passionate about sport and ensuring children of all abilities are encouraged to be active and healthy. Our aim is to engage children in participating in sport, not only during their school day but also through extra-curricular clubs. We offer a wide range of after school clubs with the aim to meet as many pupils' interests and needs as possible, while also building on strengths and talents they may wish to pursue.

After School Clubs

We allocate places in our after school clubs on a first come first served basis. The information regarding clubs offered for the half term is sent out a couple of weeks prior to the previous term finishing. Each club has a maximum amount of children that can attend to ensure that the children participating are able to focus and practice their skills properly. Therefore it is important that you sign your child up as soon as the booking window opens to avoid disappointment. We offer a waiting list for clubs that become fully booked and will notify parents if spaces become available.

We feel it is important that parents and children understand that signing up for an after school club constitutes a commitment to attend all the sessions offered. The clubs are run for the children's enjoyment, but we feel it is unfair for children to drop out mid-way through a term, when we frequently have waiting lists of other children that could have attended from the start. Therefore, we expect any child that signs up to a club to continue with it for the remainder of the term. Refusal to do so may affect our decision to allow them to attend other clubs in the future. Children are expected to follow the school behaviour policy when attending clubs and any behavioural sanctions may result in them being asked to leave the club.

Team Selection & Festivals

Many of our extra-curricular sports clubs are held in the build up to a festival of that sport. The festivals are a brilliant way to expose children to playing competitive sport, while giving them the opportunity to represent our school and build confidence as part of a team. We enter into many different sports festivals throughout the school year across all key stages and our after school clubs help us to build the required skills and help the teams prepare to compete.

When choosing a team for festivals we look primarily at the children who have attended the club, shown dedication and determination to better themselves at a sport they enjoy and for displaying our School and Sports values. There is a high level of competition at our sports festivals so we also consider children who have shown a strength and talent in P.E lessons and who are keen to be part of a team and show passion to succeed. If your child is interested in attending sports festivals, attendance at the relevant after school club would be beneficial. As with all festivals, only a limited amount of children can make up a team, where possible we enter multiple teams to increase the chances of children getting an opportunity to compete at an appropriate level for their ability.

If your child is invited to represent Brill School at a sports festival, this shows that they are showing talent and ability at this particular sport. We also see it as a

privilege to attend festivals as part of the team, and something that many of the pupils love to do. If selected your child will be given a letter stating the date of the festival and a 'reply slip' to return by a given deadline. It is very important that you return this paperwork with a yes or no by the deadline. If there is no reply by the morning of the given deadline we will assume your child is unable to attend and will automatically offer the place to another child. Please adhere to these rules to avoid any disappointment.

NB. Please see our sports opportunities document for detailed information on all festivals offered.

Selection Policy

At Brill School we are entering more sports festivals and competitions than ever, giving children opportunities to compete in a wide and varied range of sporting competitions. There are different levels of competition within the partnership that we enter, allowing opportunity for all pupils to be selected for something that suits them. At Brill, we have categorized these opportunities in 3 core areas; *Participation, Development and Squad.*

Participation

These festivals and competitions are aimed at increasing active and healthy lifestyle in our children, whilst giving them the chance to a fun and enjoyable competitive sport at the child's appropriate level. We aim to get as many children as we can to participate in this style of festival throughout the year.

Development

These festivals are aimed at children that have shown commitment during after school clubs or lessons, a natural or developing ability, as well as an appropriate attitude and Christian/School Game values. There are a wide and varied range of sport and skills offered at this level. Our aim is to identify talent and ability and introduce the children to competitive sport. We encourage and guide these children towards local sport clubs where they can develop their talent further.

Squad

Within our sports partnership, we have the opportunity to progress onto higher level festivals and competitions, where we play against different schools across the Buckinghamshire region. Our aim is to nurture and cultivate talented boys and girls and to support them to enjoy competing at a high level of sport within a county level.

On these occasions we offer trials, select a squad, and invite them to join training sessions for that particular team so that they are confident and assured at the next level of competition. Squad training sessions will only include selected pupils. Every other after school club is open to all pupils within the relevant age range.

NB. Squad training is a big commitment, training and matches may be at the weekend and more frequent.