

Our Approach to Competitive Sport at Acresfield

Aim of this statement:

- Ⓢ To promote a positive and inclusive approach to sport at Acresfield
- Ⓢ To outline our approach to competitive sports at Acresfield.
- Ⓢ To make clear to our families, reasons behind team selection and decision making

What sports we participate in:

At Acresfield we are keen to provide the children with as many sporting activities as possible outside of the P.E curriculum. We recognise the positive impact on a child's self esteem and on their all round development, extra curricular sport can have for a child's development.

These sports include team and individual sports, which may be one off events or more regular.

Key principles of our approach:

Ⓢ Inclusion

Ⓢ Enjoyment

Ⓢ Understanding

- ✓ We take into account the child's ability to be able to take part safely in an event, when selecting a team
- ✓ We take into account a child's attendance at the club/training when selecting a team
- ✓ We take into account a child's attitude and approach to school life when selecting a team
- ✓ We keep a register of all children who represent the school in a sports event, to try and include as many children as possible
- ✓ If a child is not selected for an event we will explain reasons why
- ✓ When children travel as part of a squad to a sports event, they will all have the opportunity to be involved in some part of the game.
- ✓ We encourage children to recognise that enjoyment comes from participating and that winning is a bonus

How parents can help:

- ✓ Support our approach to competitive sport
- ✓ Encourage your child to pay regard to 'fair play' when participating in a sport
- ✓ Speak to the school if you feel your child has not had an opportunity to take part in a sport to represent the school or for other queries.