

Subject: Physical Education

No. of Pupils: 25

Number of lessons: 31 lessons (1 single per week, 40 minutes)

Length of Lessons: 40 minutes

Previous Knowledge and Ability: They are a first year class. They have completed Physical Education in a variety of amounts. Most pupils will be involved in the local GAA/hurling club and some pupils will have be involved in some Physical Activity in Primary School. This scheme will apply a holistic approach to the concept of Physical Activity for young people. It will aim to provide activity at a moderate to vigorous level, while teaching about the importance of MVPA for 60 minutes every day to gain the associated health benefits. It reflects the syllabus in that it recognises the 'physical, emotional, mental and social dimensions of human movement.' In First year, we aim to build on movement skills, which will provide a basis for further learning. The pupils will then develop the capacity to create more complex movement patterns in specific sports. It is also important to examine the basics of human physiology, and human performance from an aesthetical point of view. Pupils will be motivated at all times to value Physical Education and to have a positive attitude towards it. The key skills of the Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement (JCPA) (Managing information and myself, staying well, being creative, communicating, working with others and managing myself) of the New Junior Cycle will be

embedded in this scheme. Pupils will study five strands to Level 1 in First Year: Health-Related Fitness, Dance, Invasion Games and Athletics.

General aims of this scheme:

- 1. Enhance students sense of self through skill development and creative performance
- 2. Develop students understanding of physical activity and links between PE/Science/SPHE/CSPE/Home Economics
- 3. To motivate pupils to choose a healthy, meaningful, active lifestyle of MVPA for 60 minutes every day
- 4. To personally enrich pupils by developing their social skills and encouraging positive attitudes
- 5. To develop the key skills and meet the relevant learning statements of the JCPA.

Students with Additional Educational Needs:

Participation is vital to learning in Physical Education and it is the role of the PE Department to facilitate any barriers to participation. These barriers are a social issue and as a school society it is our responsibility to adapt. Pupils with disabilities will be incorporated into the Physical Education Scheme, not only for participation but also for progression.

Assessment

Assessment is an integral part of this scheme. It seeks to establish the extent and quality of pupil learning. This provides information that informs future teaching strategies. The assessment modes will contribute formatively to the development of the learner. The assessment modes will reflect the practical nature of the subject. In recording student achievement, all evidence of learning will be stored in an e-portfolio facilitated by google docs. It will contain assessment evidence, achievements and attainments. This portfolio will inform the school, teachers and parents but ultimately it will be a record of personal achievement for the pupils. It will be used as a vehicle for the modes of formative assessment which are planned for. Elements of GCSE PE will be taught with the hope that if a student opted for Transition Year, they would be equipped with the knowledge and experience to sit the GCSE PE exam.

Physical Education Department Self-Evaluation

Pupil evaluations online of the PE module.

School Self Evaluation of Physical Education with clear actions for improvement.

Formal Assessment	Informal Assessment	Peer Assessment
End of strand practical	On-going as part of T & L	Analysis of performance or/and knowledge by
exam	Quality statement judgements	peers
End of year practical exam	Teacher records these judgements in the scheme in the	e.g. Traffic Lights
	comment box for that pupil, where practical	
Self-Assessment	Recording Individual Achievement	Frequency of Assessment

Encouraging pupils to take	Recognises that pupils may be participating in physical	There will be a topic test and on-going
greater responsibility for	activities which cannot be accredited for in Physical	assessment grade at the end of each strand
their learning by reflecting	Education and allows them to record this achievement	For example:
on their experience e.g.	in their portfolio.	HRF-topic test and on-going assessment
Learning Log in their		comment and grade recorded on the scheme for
portfolio		each pupil

Time	Topic & key	Learning Objectives-Pupils	Resources	Learning and teaching	Assessment
	skills focus	will be better able to:		methodologies	
18 classes	Games	Participate in a wide variety	Tennis	Class discussion on	Teacher questioning
(6 weeks)	(Net and	of games and develop the		transferable skills	in modified games
	fielding)	transferable skills required	Task cards		
				Modified games forms for:	Literacy
	Tennis and	Display a knowledge of the	Tennis balls	Tennis	Pupils will be able to
	badminton	basic principles and rules,		Badminton (weather	understand, use and
		and be able to umpire and	Shuttlecocks	dependent)	spell correctly words
		referee			relating to:
			Volleyball net	Decision making in modified	tactics and
		Demonstrate technical		games: pupils in teams of 6	techniques, e.g.

	competence	Badminton net	Sport Education Model	ready positions,
			Manager	tactics, strokes and
	Make appropriate responses	Tennis net	Coach	shots, preparation
	to decisions you have to		Players	and follow-through,
	make in a game situation	Drop down	Pupils given role cards	attacking and
		lines	describing their role in their	defensive positions,
	Gain experience of		team for the class. Change	changing defence
Working with	competitive play	Tennis	roles each class. For e.g. the	into attack,
others		racquets	role of the coach may focus	anticipation/disguise,
	Display an understanding of		on skill execution using a	coaching,
Managing	the dynamics of working in	Badminton	task card and giving	officiating/umpiring
information and	a team	racquets	feedback to players.	
thinking				Speaking and
	Acquire confidence and		Attacking play:	listening - through
	enjoyment which will		Passing	the activities pupils
	transfer to lifelong physical		Serving	could: describe and
	activity		Supporting	evaluate how the
			Creating Space	work was
Being creative	Develop a knowledge of		Recognising defence and	undertaken and what
	how to modify games to		how to go around it	led to the

	make them work, how to	Use of deception	conclusions
	practice and prepare for	Assessing time and space	
	competition		Reading - through
		Defensive play:	the activities pupils
Managing	Appreciate the benefits that	Positioning	could: undertake
myself	games can give you	Denying space	independent research
		Creating time	using knowledge of
		Regaining time	how texts, databases,
		Returning serve	etc., are organised
		Forcing error	and of appropriate
Managing		Covering space	reading strategies.
information and		Covering bases	
thinking			Numeracy
			Through counting,
		Evaluating performance	timing, angles of
		through video analysis using	shots, scoring
		the Kandle software. Also	
Staying well		through www.bbcsport.co.uk	
		and for extension learning at	
		home.	

		HEALTH RI	ELATED FITN	NESS	
3 classes	What is	What is Physical Education?	Whiteboards	Class discussion on the rules	Teacher questioning
(1 week)	Physical			and safety in Physical	
	Education?	Explain the content of the	Open space	Education	Logical reasoning
		Physical Education			for inclusion of
	Introduction to	Curriculum for Junior Cycle		In mixed ability and gender	certain ideas
	key skills			groups of 4, pupils create	
		Know the rules and safety		their ideal Physical	Oral presentation
		procedures for Physical		Education (PE) Programme	
		Education		and the justification for it	Self-Assessment
		Introduction to Physical		Pupils compare their PE	E-portfolio
		Education e-Portfolio using		programme to the DES	continuous

		Microsoft 365		Syllabus and note difference	assessment comment
					only
				Pupils present back their	with termly
				ideas to other groups orally	submission and
					grade
18	Fundamental	Demonstrate an	Open Space	Pupils complete a Learning	Homework:
(6 weeks)	Motor Skills	understanding of the effects		Log of all the Physical	
	through Health	of exercise on the body	Whiteboard	Activity they participated in	Blog entry for what
	Related		space	since last class	happened to my
	Activity			Pupils reflect and discuss	body when I
			Internet	their participation	exercised
	Staying well		connectivity	Class discussion	
	Working with			Multi skills cards circuit.	Teacher questioning:
	others		Laptops	In mixed ability groups of 4,	How did your body
				pupils plan, create and	react?
	Health benefits		Balls-various	perform an activity to	Why did it react in
	of physical		sizes	increase their heart rate	this way?
	activity	Identify and apply the	Racquets		How did your body
		principles of health related	Cones	Pupils reflect on what	feel?
	Health related	fitness to participation	Small bean	happened to the temperature	Why might it have

fitness		bags	of their body, lungs and	felt this way?
			muscles	How are energy
Warming up			Role play-stressful situation:	levels affected by
and cooling			how can exercise help?	exercise?
down			You have 20 minutes to	How do you feel
			Produce a 2 minute role play	after you exercise?
Managing			Plan the scenario	
myself	Reflect that skilled		Exercise it out	Explain how this
	movement is important to		Increase your heart rate	exercise might
Being creative	developing and maintain a		Select from the equipment	improve your
	healthy lifestyle		available to you	health?
Communicatin	g			
			Add key words of how you	Do you think it
			felt to the PE Word Wall	might reduce stress?
			(Literacy)	
				What affect would
			Group project on the benefits	this exercise have on
			of lifelong physical activity	you if you did it
				every day for the rest
	Plan for and participate in		Group presentation	of your life?

	Physical Activity	Pupils create the success	
	Be aware of the health	criteria	
	benefits of physical activity		
Managing		Contrast health related	Submission of HRF
information and		fitness with performance	e-portfolio
thinking		related fitness	
			HRF MCQ online
Introductions to		Investigate muscular	
the principles		strength, muscular	
of training		endurance, flexibility,	
		cardiovascular endurance	
		FITT principles of training	
		Fundamental Motor Skills	
		tasks embedded	

		I	DANCE		
18	Being creative	Be skilful, creative in the	Difference	Development of basic bodily	Observation of the
(3 weeks)		mastery of body in dance	Types of	actions. Group work tasks in	selection and
			Music	relation to investigating:	performance of
Week 4	Staying well	Have enhanced knowledge		Travel	dances
Performance		and understanding of dance	Sound system	Elevation	
		as an aesthetic and artistic		Stillness	
(3 weeks)		experience	Open Space	Gesture	
				Turning	Peer assessment
Week 8		Have enriched personal and	Whiteboard		
Performance		social development while	space	Attention to movement	
	Managing	interacting with others		quality through the use of	
Submission	information			video analysis to examine an	Self-Assessment
of Term		Develop knowledge,		investigate technique, time,	
One PE		understanding and skills in		space and level, and phrasing	

Portfolio		different dance forms	Pair and share ideas	
			Role Cards for team	Set study-attention
		Plan, compose, perform and	members	to detail and respect
		extend and refine	Sport Education Model	for the culture
		movements in different		
		dance contexts	Developing relationships and	
	Working with		phrases by working with a	
	others	Explore and compose motifs	group on the Monsters	Quality of the video
		with clarity and attention to	dance, culminating in a	produced
		success criteria	performance	demonstrating
				movement qualities
		Co-operate in a group to	Success criteria for this	
		discuss, select and perform	performance will be created	Perform dances
	Managing	dances	by collaboration between the	showing control and
	information and		pupils and with the teacher	sensitivity to the
	thinking			style of dance and to
			Perform short dances from	the music
			different traditions	accompanying it
			Describe, analyse and	Dance MCQ

				interpret dances from	
				different traditions	Submission of
					Dance portfolio with
				Set study - Pupils will be	HRF portfolio with
				encouraged to personalise	any improvements
	Visual			the set dance once they have	from comment only
	communication			mastered it. Each group will	marking
	in the form of			perform back to the rest	
	dance				
		G	ymnastics		
15 classes	Gymnastics	Perform actions related to	Soft thin Mats	Travelling	Continuous
(5 weeks)		the themes of: travelling,	X 12	Pupils will be introduced to	observation of pupils
	Being creative	balance, weight transfer,		basic forms of travelling	performing.
		symmetry and asymmetry.	Soft Thick	used in gymnastics, the main	Pupils perform for
			Mats X 3	component being flight	their partner and for
		To recognise their own		(approach, hurdle step, take	the class.
		ability and level of	Cones	off, flight and landing). The	Pupils teach each
		performance that their		pupils will also use the	other with task
	Managing	comfortable with and work	Task cards	trampette for performing	cards.
	myself	within that zone so as not to		body shapes aesthetically.	Continuous

	put themselves or others in	Small bean		observation of pupils
	danger.	bags	Balancing	performing together.
			Pupils will explore the theme	Pupils perform in
	Demonstrate muscular	Chalk	of balancing and work	pairs/ groups for the
	tension and poise	Benches X 8	individually and in pairs to	class.
			create and develop balances.	Criteria for success
Communicating	Refine and increase the	Smart Wall		outlined in the
aesthetically	technical competence of	paint and	Rolling	learning objectives.
	actions	whiteboard	Pupils will have to	
		markers	opportunity to progress at	Pupils work together
	Link movements and		their own pace and set their	individually, in pairs
	demonstrate an	Laptops	own targets with this theme.	and in groups to
Working with	understanding of space and		We will start off with basic	create and perform
others	time and relate these to prior	Projector	rolls (shoulder, forward,	sequences for their
	knowledge from Dance		backward, log, teddy bear)	partner and the class.
		Video	and pupils will progress to	
	Demonstrate an ability to	recording	more difficult rolls (diving	Self-assessment
	select, create, and perform a	device	forward roll, handstand to	Peer assessment
	short sequence based on		forward roll) as they feel	Pupils analyse and
	themes	Kandle	ready.	critique their and

	Software		others performance
Observe and analyse the		Inversions on hands.	and give feedback-
work of others,	Internet access	Pupils will decide what pace	via comment only
demonstrating an		they want to progress at.	Pupils give feedback
understanding of the criteria	Access to	Begin with adaptions (frog	to their partners after
for appreciation	student	stand, donkey kick,	recording practices
To develop their team work,	portfolio on	handstand one leg) and	on the hand held
co-operation and leadership	Microsoft 365	pupils can progress to the	video camera and
skills through pair and group		full movement (handstand	watching and
tasks	Horse/vault	against the wall, handstand	assessing it on
	Trampette	on mat) as they feel	instant replay.
		comfortable.	
	Spring boards		Performance for
	X 3	Introduction to Apparatus:	staff members and
		pupils safety is paramount.	the Principle who
		If they are ready spring	give comment only
		board and vault will be used.	assessment. Pupils
		The pupils will learn straddle	record this in their
		on, squat on, straddle over,	portfolio.
		and squat through depending	

on their ability. Set up three
to four rows of apparatus
with different colours
associated with the rows and
the pupils can chose which
level of colour they will
practice and learn at.
Review and performance of
sequence.
Different themes to make
short sequences which they
will have the opportunity to
perform.
Demonstrate their creativity
once they feel confident with
their movement. They will
have a finale performance
for gymnastics at the end of
the module. This

				performance will be recorded	
				and posted to our PE Blog	
				and a Learning Log for the	
				performance must be	
				submitted to their e portfolio.	
			Athletics		
18 classes	Athletics	To apply their health related	Safety	Team activity to develop the	Teacher observation
(6 weeks)		fitness knowledge to	procedures	idea of running for speed or	
	Managing	athletics	will be vital	for endurance	Traffic Lights Self-
	Myself		for throwing		Assessment
		To run at a steady pace,	events	Introduction to the basics of	
		suitable for their level of		relay running and baton	Peer Assessment
		fitness, for a set period of	Foam shot	exchange	
		time	putts and		End of topic test
			javelins	Starting procedures and	
	Staying well by	To jump for distance and for		reacting to different stimuli	Submission of
	being	height	500 kg		project to e portfolio
	physically		javelins X 3	Team tasks to running over	for comment only
	active	To throw for distance using		low obstacles and breaking	marking
		modified and standard shot	750 kg javelin	down the hurdle technique	

	putts and javelins	X 3		Opportunity to
			Activities to develop	improve it before a
	Display an understanding	Shot putts X 3	fundamentals of throwing	grade is given at the
	related to the performance of		from using the chest, legs,	end of term
	athletics	Cones	behind head, over arm, using	
			foam javelins and shots and	Athletics MCQ
Communicating	Demonstrate knowledge and	Task cards	real javelins and shots	
in team tasks	appreciation of the rules of			Submission of e-
	events			portfolio for
Working with			Pupil project in relation to	assessment
others through	Display and appreciation		jumping	
teams and peer	and enjoyment of athletics		Design a learning card for	
assessment			another first year class to	
	Set personal and team		introduce jumping	
	challenges and compare		Success criteria	
	performance to previous			
Being creative	attempts		Student led Sports Event	
in the			Sport Education Model	
organisation of	Enhance social development		Roles and responsibilities	
a culminating	through participation in			

sports event	group activities	Project submitted to their e-	
		portfolio	

Teacher strand evaluation comment:	Student Name:	Comment
Any other comments:		

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A	ims	Ol	bjectives	Assessment	Inclusion of ICT
•	To increase pupils movement	•	To enable pupils to carry out	Continuous observation of	Hand held video camera with
	vocabulary through the		fundamental gymnastic skills	pupils performing.	immediate feedback on camera
	activities of rolling, balance,		relating to the themes of	Pupils perform for their partner	or the option to immediately out
	inversion and flight and to		travelling, balance, weight	and for the class.	it into laptop and project onto
	increase their technical		transference, symmetry and	Pupils teach each other with	the screen.
	competence.		asymmetry safely and at their	teaching points.	
			own level.		
		•	To enable pupils recognise their		
			own ability and level of		
			performance that their		
			comfortable with and work		
			within that zone so as not to put		

		themselves or others in danger.		
To introduce pupils to	•	To enable pupils to test new	Continuous observation of	Group work recorded and played
gymnastic relationships		ideas in relation to pair and	pupils performing together.	back.
through individual, pair and		group work.	Pupils perform in pairs/ groups	Group work from DCU
group work and give them	•	To enable pupils to work in pairs	for the class.	gymnastics on the internet
the opportunity to develop		and groups to create new shapes		watched and discussed.
and test these relationships		and movements.		
and how they work.				
To provide pupils with the	•	To enable pupils to demonstrate	Criteria for success outlined in	Sequences performed and
tools necessary to link		an ability to select, create and	the learning objectives.	recorded with the option to edit,
movements and construct		perform a short sequence based	Pupils work together	cut and paste out the best in
short sequences, which		on themes of their choice and to	individually, in pairs and in	order to present.
involves all of the different		music of their own choice.	groups to create and perform	
aspects of gymnastics.	•	To enable pupils to transfer this	sequences for their partner and	
		ability to link movements to	the class.	
		pairs and in groups.	Self-assessment worksheet-one	
	•	To enable pupils to demonstrate	per group	
		an understanding of the basic	Peer assessment	
		concepts of space and time when		
		working in groups i.e. how they		

		utilise space available to the		
		group and their ability to keep in		
		time with others.		
To develop in the pupils an	•	To enable pupils to apply a	Pupils analyse and critique their	A PowerPoint presentation to
appreciation of the aesthetic		qualitative focus to their own	and others performance and give	the class with video clips
value of gymnastics and an		performance through	feedback-via peer assessment	embedded outlining what
understanding of the		demonstration of muscular	worksheets	aesthetics are and the best of
qualitative focus in relation		tension and body poise.	Pupils give feedback to their	aesthetics from their
to their gymnastic	•	To enable pupils to apply an	partners after recording practices	performances.
performance and for use in		understanding of qualitative	on the hand held video camera	
observation and analysis of		focus in order to observe and	and watching and assessing it on	
others.		analyse others performances in	instant replay.	
		an informed way.		
	•	To enable pupils to self correct		
		and help others in relation to		
		qualitative focus in their		
		performance by giving useful		
		and productive feedback.		
To develop students	•	To enable pupils to develop a	Observation of pupils and	ICT-performance recorded and
personally by increasing		confidence in their own ability	questioning of how comfortable	peer assessed. Pupils edit this

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body awareness/confidence	and body through progressive	they are.	recording.
through skilful and creative	and achievable tasks.		
mastery of the body in a	To enable pupils to build	Performance for other gymnastic	Recording is posted by the
gymnastic context and	relationships with others through	classes and the Vice Principle.	pupils to the PE department
socially through interaction	working together during the		website on Weebly.
in pairs and groups.	class in creating, critiquing,		
	supporting and interacting.		
	To enable pupils to develop their		
	team work, co-operation and		
	leadership skills through pair		
	and group tasks		

Rationale for Selection and Structuring of Subject matter:

It is important that students are made aware of the aesthetic values of the bodily movements required and utilised in gymnastics. Gymnastics is a sport that has all of the competitive and interactive features of others sports but also had the added aesthetic dimension not associated with most other sports. It is therefore important that students develop an appreciation for both aspects, which is not readily available throughout the curriculum. Gymnastics provides the opportunity to cater for all levels of ability in the class.

Structure:

- **Travelling.** Pupils will be introduced to basic forms of travelling used in gymnastics, the main component being flight (approach, hurdle step, take off, flight and landing). The pupils will also use the trampette for performing body shapes aesthetically.
- **Balancing.** Pupils will explore the theme of balancing and work individually and in pairs to create and develop balances.
- **Rolling.** Pupils will have to opportunity to progress at their own pace and set their own targets with this theme. We will start off with basic rolls (shoulder, forward, backward, log, teddy bear) and pupils will progress to more difficult rolls (diving forward roll, handstand to forward roll) as they feel ready.
- Inversions on hands. Again the pupils will decide what pace they want to progress at. I will begin with adaptions (frog stand, donkey kick, handstand one leg) and pupils can progress to the full movement (handstand against the wall, handstand on mat) as they feel comfortable. As this is probably the most complex area of gymnastics I may not progress to this if I don't feel the class would benefit from it.
- Introduction to Apparatus: This is something I may or may not do depending on the class. As with everything the pupils safety is paramount and if I feel they are not ready to use the apparatus then we will continue to work on the ground. If they are ready I will use the spring board and vault. The pupils will learn straddle on, squat on, straddle over, and squat through depending on their ability. I will set up three to four rows of apparatus with different colours associated with the rows and the pupils can chose which level of colour they will practice and learn at.
- **Review and performance of sequence.** As the class progresses they will start to combine the different themes to make short sequences which they will have the opportunity to perform. This is not something I will do separately but I will try to integrate it with the other themes mentioned above. This will give them the opportunity to demonstrate their creativity once they feel

confident with their movement. They will have a finale performance for gymnastics at the end of the module. This performance will be recorded and posted to our PE weebly page.

Rationale.

The Junior Cert Physical Education syllabus includes the following, among others as set criteria it feels gymnastics teachers should cover, travelling, flight, balance, rolling, weight transference and inversions and I have tried to incorporate all these areas into my scheme. Another aspect included in the syllabus is individual work and pair work. This involves sequencing and phrasing which I hope to include in every lesson. I think it is very important that our pupils get a well rounded experience of gymnastics and I feel that through the inclusion of the topics above pupils would get that.

Travelling is the most basic form of gymnastics as it is practiced in everyday life and so I have chosen to begin with this. I have chosen this in association with balancing because I feel that it is necessary to be able to move into and out of balances, as balances are never performed in isolation. Balance is needed in rolling and inversion. In rolling it is necessary to be able to raise the hips above the shoulders. This provides preparation for inversions in which it is vital to be able to control this action. Rolling helps to increase body control which is an essential component of inversions. When using apparatus, it is vital to be able to incorporate all the skills covered in the previous lessons into the use of apparatus. In terns of safety, it is imperative that students are able to carry out the skills on the ground before moving onto apparatus.

Resources: Gymnastics hall, gymnastics mats, work cards, picture cards, posters, videos, benches, projector, screen, laptop, wireless internet.

Organisation of Learning Experiences:

- Teacher Demonstration
- Pupil practice skills
- Discovery learning
- Guided discovery
- Progressive tasks
- Mixed ability tasks (different rows of apparatus)
- Pupils set appropriate goals
- Practical application of knowledge