



YEAR 5 PE: ATHLETICS 2026-2027



Knowledge Organiser: Athletics Y5



Links to the PE National Curriculum

- They should enjoy communicating, collaborating and competing with each other.
- They should develop an understanding of how to improve in different physical activities and sports and learn how to evaluate and recognise their own success.
- Develop running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in combination.
- Develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.
- Compare their performances with previous ones and demonstrate improvement to achieve their personal best.

Key Skills: Physical

- Pacing
- Sprinting technique
- Relay changeovers
- Jumping for height
- Jumping for distance - long jump, triple jump
- Push throw for distance - shot put, javelin
- Pull throw for distance

Key Skills: S.E.T

- Social: Collaborating with others
- Social: Supporting others
- Emotional: Perseverance
- Emotional: Determination
- Thinking: Observing and providing feedback



Official Athletic Events

Running

Sprinting

100m, 200m, 400m

Hurdles

Relay

Middle distance

800m, 1500m

Long distance

5,000, 10,000

Steeplechase

Jumping

Long jump

Jump for distance

Triple jump

Jump for distance

High jump

Jump for height

Pole vault

Jump for height

Throwing

Discus

Fling throw

Shot

Push throw

Hammer

Fling throw

Javelin

Pull throw

Key Vocabulary:

technique • compete • continuous pace • flight

determination • personal best • momentum • stride

downsweep • upsweep • officiate • rhythm

Teacher Glossary

Changeover: where a baton is passed from one person to another

Downsweep: in relay when the performer passes the baton in a downward action

Upsweep: when the performer passes the baton in an upward action

Flight: the time the performer spends in the air in jumping events

Hop: take off on one foot and land on the same foot

Leap: take off on one foot and land on the other. Also known as a step in triple jump

Jump: take off and land on two feet

Pull throw: when the performer pulls the item through the air

Push throw: when the performer pushes the item through the air