## **PE** Department Information

## The PE Department

There are 4 full-time specialists for the teaching of games and Physical Education. It is a vibrant, innovative and high profile department that produces excellent results in exams (92% Level 4 - 9 GCSE for last year) and success on the sports field.

# Requirements

We are seeking an enthusiastic, dedicated PE specialist who can offer some of the following: Football, Basketball, Netball, Hockey, Outdoor Education, Athletics, Trampolining and possibly the ability to teach A Level PE, GCSE PE or BTEC Sport courses. Additionally, the department runs Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Sports Leader Awards and offers a wide choice of extra-curricular activities. Equality of access to the NC is seen as an important issue within the department.

### Facilities and equipment

In July 2007 the PE Department went under extensive refurbishment to facilities resulting in the PE area consisting of 3 gymnasiums, two fitted out for games use, and one well-resourced for gymnastics with 5 trampolines and a harness. Outside there are 3 tennis/netball courts, two further hard play areas, one with basketball posts and a grass area. A multi-gym was also included in the refurbishment for students and staff to access cardio and resistance suites.

Offsite facilities include our own sports fields with ample changing facilities, two football and one rugby pitch, a large grass cricket square, and artificial cricket strip, and a Hockey astro pitch.

The Academy has its own double decker bus and two minibuses to transport students to the sports field.

The department is also well stocked with equipment for all sports, and ICT is an integral part of the curriculum.

### Time allocation

Key Stage 3 students are allocated a triple lesson each week that equates to a 2 hour lesson. Key Stage 4 students have a triple lesson each week for Games with GCSE/BTEC courses having 2 doubles each week plus compulsory games. A-Level PE candidates have 8 periods each week and are free to use the PE department in their free time.