

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to announce that Ringwood School PE Department, have again achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of physical activity and school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our events possible. We are committed to using the School Games to try and engage those young people who haven't previously been active or represented our school, and to try and ensure that all our students have a positive experience and want to try out new activities beyond school in our community. We believe in the power of physical activity and school sport as a school and give opportunities to those young people that need it most either as a participant, leader, official or volunteer. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

We are keen to support and engage with parents/carers in addition to the young people at Ringwood, as we strive to inspire lifelong participation in sport and physical activity. Please find attached a document detailing some Frequently Asked Questions which may answer any queries that you have at this point. *N.b. all Year 7+8 students will all be taking part in Rugby from next week; please ensure that students have suitable footwear and use of a mouthguard is strongly recommended.*

Please check our school website for the latest PE clubs and the New Forest School Games KS3 & KS4 Competition booklet. *(n.b. these competitions do not include County Events that we have entered)*

We invite you to stay updated with all the latest news from the PE department by following us on our Social Media channels

Kind Regards

Jonathan Owen
Subject Leader PE



PE Department Vision Statement:

As a result of the **positive experiences**, confidence, skills and knowledge **gained in PE**, Ringwood School **students leave inspired and engaged** to continue to have **lifelong participation** in physical activity.

Teachers in Ringwood School PE **department** ensure this happens by **creating** an **environment and culture** where students **embed** the **T.R.E.D.S values** (Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship) into everything they do.

