

PE Concept Curriculum Key Stage 2 (Ages 7-11) User Guide

First of all, thank you!

Thank you for your interest in the PE Primary Concept Curriculum. We are incredibly passionate about the impact conceptual learning can have on your students through your physical education lessons.

Time for Change

PE has an opportunity like never before to re-examine how we get every child off to the best possible start and lay the foundations for a physically active life. For far too long students (and others) have been put off physical activity because of sport-driven, technique focused and performance obsessed PE lessons. It's time to change! PE is in a unique position in that it can directly influence the health and well-being of an individual for the rest of their lives. We can deliver relevant and meaningful learning that will better prepare them for life and promote positive attitudes towards physical activity.



What is the Concept Curriculum?

A concept is a powerful idea that can replace a performance focused objective and therefore enable all to succeed in their own way. Students can develop intra and inter-personal skills, gain a better understanding of their body and minds as well as explore the world around them, all through conceptual learning and engaging physical activity. The sport and physical activity become the vehicle for which the concept is delivered and no longer the final destination. Delivered alongside engaging and meaningful physical activities, a concept curriculum can better enable an inclusive environment to ensure that PE also stands for Positive Experiences.

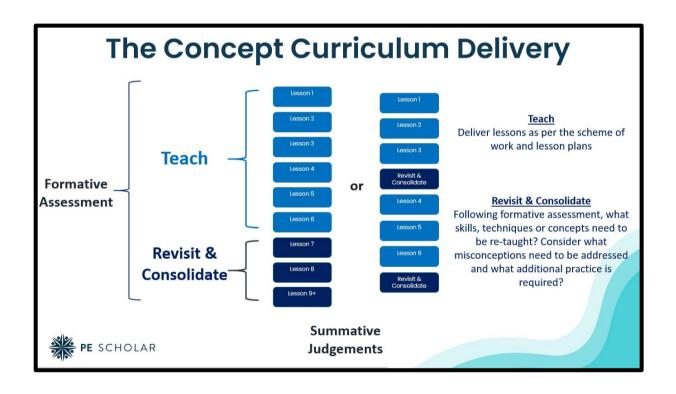
By introducing a conceptual learning objective, we are offering an inclusive hook to students that might previously have felt alienated by a less relevant or achievable lesson focused solely on acquiring or replicating a sporting skill or technique. PE is not just sport and sport is not just skills, techniques, rules and competition. It is important to note that conceptual learning does not replace the physical or competency development of a PE lesson. It is time we looked to harness the full power of sport and physical activity to deliver a more meaningful and positive learning experience.

We believe this Concept Curriculum can do just that.



Curriculum Design

The resources have been designed to support teachers to deliver engaging practical activities, comprising 6 lessons. The teacher should be responsive to the needs and the progress of the children. If children are progressing well then the teacher might decide to continue with the unit of work. If children require more time to practice and embed physical or conceptual aspects of their learning then the teacher might take the decision to pause the unit of work and re-visit aspects of a previous lesson In order to consolidate and practice particular skills.



Contents

The Key Stage 2 concept curriculum contains the following:

- Curriculum Map
- 12 individual Units of Work (September 2023)
- 24 Individual Units of Work (September 2024)
- 72 individual lesson plans (September 2023)
- 144 Individual lesson plans (September 2024)
- Over 280 Suggested Activities (September 2023)
- Over 550 Suggested Activities (September 2024)
- Templates to create your own Concept Curriculum Unit

We have provided an overview of each of these new elements in the remainder of this document.

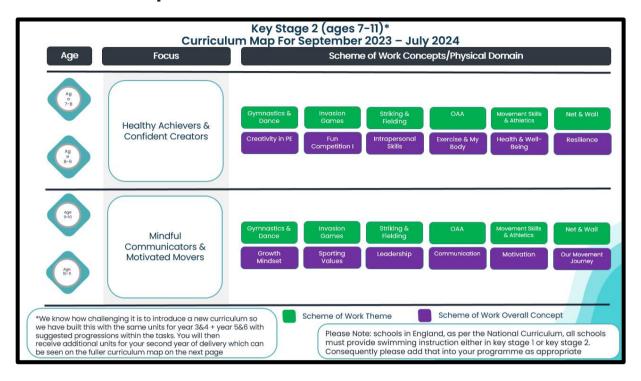


Social Justice

Social Lynch, Walton-Fisette and Luguetti (2022, P.3) describe social justice as "being able to live in an equitable liberatory society where people have justice, and people are critically conscious to sociocultural issues and act against them". Therefore, this goes far beyond just providing Justice in PE equal access but actively supporting, addressing, and recognising the needs, motivations, barriers and stereotypes associated with different groups and seek opportunities to challenge our own and others' unconscious biases. Equal Access Equal access ensures that every student has an equal **Equality & Equity** Protected characteristics include age, disability, pportunity to participate in all aspects of the education gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation. Though often used interchangeably, equality and equity process, including learning environments/ facilities (schools, classrooms, and labs), resources, curricular and are quite different. Equality simply means everyone other individual difference. Equity, on the other hand, means everyone is provided with what they need extracurricular programme **Widening Participation Hidden Curriculun** to succeed. Lynch, Walton-Fisette and Luguetti (2022, P.2) describe the hidden curriculum as the "untold or unimplied consequences of our teaching/coaching". Understanding and having an awareness for the intended and potentially All teachers need to champion inclusive practice. **Closing Inequaliti** especially in supporting pupils with protected especially in supporting puris with protected characteristics. Widening participation consists of an attempt to increase not only the numbers of young people participating in physical activity and physical education, but also the proportion from under-represented groups (those from lower income Part of providing a meaningful and inclusive PE offer for inintended outcomes, values and perspectives as a result of our teaching is important to ensure that we enact a socially just curriculum that doesn't privilege or all pupils is being proactive and effective in identifying and addressing inequalities. The term closing inequalities is often referred to in relation to actively identifying groups that health, activity or wellbeing outcomes are I in relation to other groups. perpetuate cultural expectations, prejudices or stereotypes. For example, do you offer a different range of curricular and extracurricular activities for boys compared to girls? If so, what informs this beyond tradition and routine? How far do you go to actively families, people with disabilities and some ethnic minorities). challenge prejudice and stereotypes? We recommend the following websites for more information, support, and Guidance Lynch, S., Walton-Fisette, J. L. & Luguetti, C. (2022) Pedagogies of Social Justice in Physical Education and Youth Sport. Routledge, UK. https://www.ston PE SCHOLAR

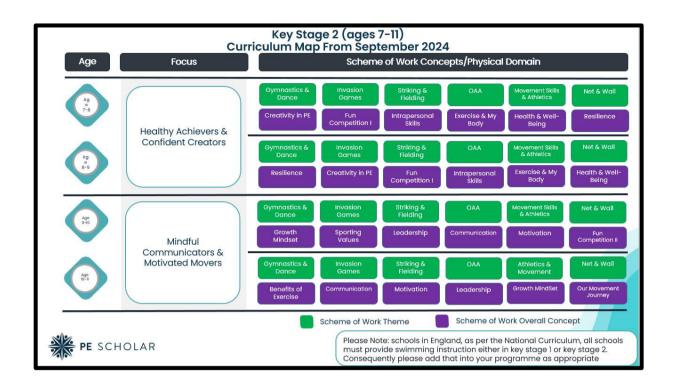
We believe that every PE teacher should be working towards a more impactful, socially just, and inclusive PE experience. A key part of this is placing social justice at the centre of the educational experience. Instead of teaching a one-off unit of work that focuses on some of the key concepts, we instead believe that social justice should underpin every unit of work.

Curriculum Map



The curriculum map outlines every unit of work that is to be delivered over the course of the year. Each year group has a focus and the concepts for that year group relate to the respective focus. The curriculum map identifies the conceptual learning element (purple box) as well as the activity category the concept will be delivered through (green box).

The Image above Is the Curriculum Map for September 2023. The Unites of Work have been combined for Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6. Teachers should use the progression advice on the lesson plans (highlighted later in this document) to adapt activities as required. From September 2024, each year group will have their own Units of Work (as seen in next image).



Lesson Objectives

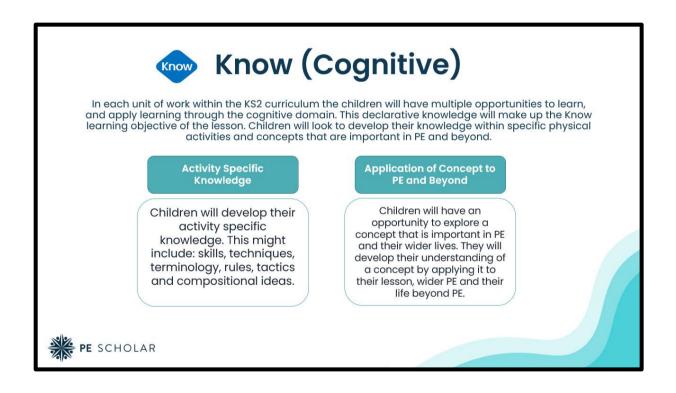


Firstly, the 'know' learning objective is designed to focus on the cognitive domain and declarative knowledge. For the Key Stage 2 Concept



Curriculum, cognitive knowledge comes in two forms, activity specific knowledge and application of concept to PE and beyond. When learning activity specific knowledge, the aim is to develop young people's understanding of what safe and successful movement looks like, the rules, conventions, regulations, strategies and tactics for participation in different activities and what health and fitness mean in context. When exploring the concept, the know objective will consider the Importance of that learning to PE and how It might apply in life beyond PE.

What would you like the students to **know** by the end of the lesson?

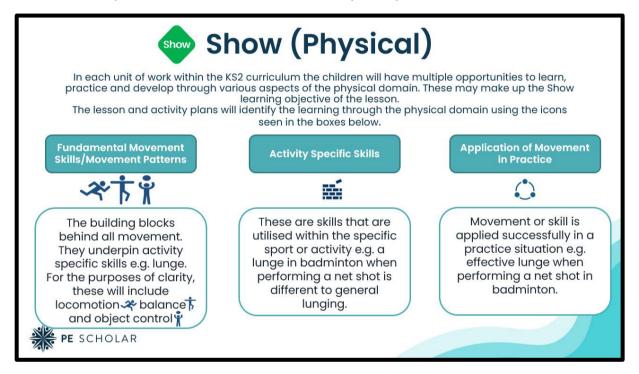


The 'show' learning objective focusses on the physical domain and procedural knowledge. Within this objective young people will develop fundamental movement and activity specific skills, such as knowing how to



perform safe and effective movement, how to perform the rules, conventions, strategies and tactics in a sport and know how to participate in an activity. They will then attempt to apply movements and skills in practice. The physical domain will be highlighted in each activity using the icons that can be seen in the Image below.

What would you like the students to **show** you by the end of the lesson?



The final learning objective, 'grow', focusses on the affective domain and conditional knowledge with a link to an overarching concept to develop young people holistically.

With the inclusion of this learning objective, the lesson is not purely focused on the performance of skills within an activity, but knowing why they are performed, when they are performed and what holistic characteristics can



be applied and developed through the activity and beyond the PE classroom.

What additional meaningful learning can be delivered through this PE lesson that might support the children to **grow** as an individual?



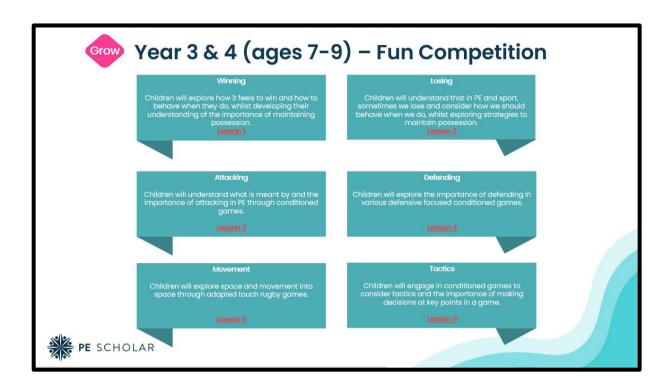
Unit Plans



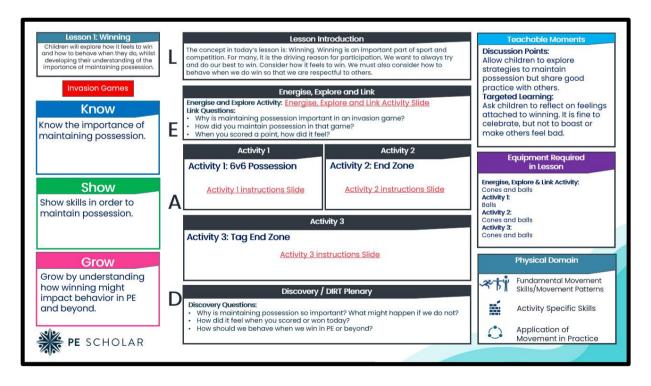
Each unit is broken down into 6 lessons.

In the unit overview, each lesson has a brief description and a hyperlink. By clicking on the hyperlink it will take you directly to the intended lesson.





Lesson Plans



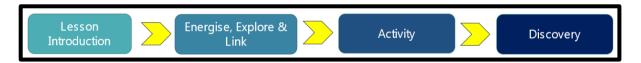


Every lesson plan includes three lesson objectives (Know, Show and Grow). The Grow objective offers an inclusive hook by shifting the focus of the lesson from sport specific skills to that of more relevant learning. Every child should have the opportunity to build a positive connection to their PE lessons whilst meeting the objectives of the lesson. The lesson plan also includes:

- A brief lesson description
- The LEAD Framework
- Teachable Moments
- Adaptive Teaching Strategies
- Physical Domain Icon

Conveniently placed on the lesson plans are hyperlinks that will direct you to the story or activity slides for ease when delivering.

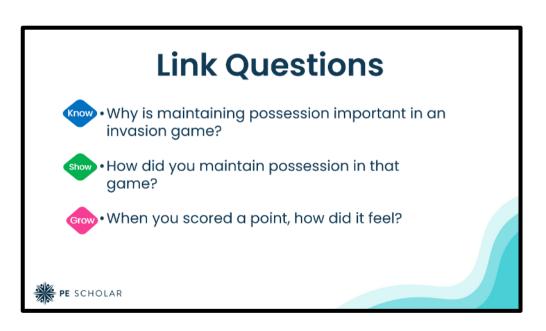
The LEAD Framework



The Primary Concept Curriculum offers a simple lesson delivery framework that can be utilised to effectively deliver conceptual learning whilst ensure students are active for a sustained period of time and developing movement competency. Each stage of the LEAD framework is discussed below:

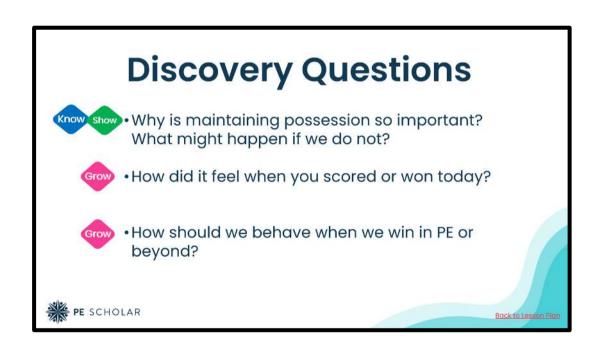


- **Lesson Introduction:** At the start of the lesson, by introducing the concept it opens the opportunity to focus the learning and explore its application within our PE context.
- Energise, Explore and Link: Once students have understood what is meant by the concept, get them active as quickly as possible and encourage them to explore and make connections with the physical activity we are engaging in. This will enable a deeper level of thinking and learning. Using engaging exploration activities and questioning is a good way to connect a concept to the lesson. An activity is provided for you that will enable children to explore and link the activity to the concept, whilst simultaneously developing activity specific skills. At the end of the activity, ask the students the link questions (provided for you) for them to understand and link the learning to the activity.





- Activity: The most important part of any PE lesson is the opportunity to be physically active. Provided for you are engaging and challenging activities for students to demonstrate their understanding of the concept, develop their competence and confidence with the physical activity and have plenty of time to practice the skills and techniques required to engage with a variety of activities. Look for teachable moments (discussed shortly) to further embed the concept and activity specific knowledge.
- **Discovery:** The final stage of the L.E.A.D Model is to discuss the discoveries we have made in the lesson and how this learning could be applied elsewhere. Here we encourage students to consider what they have learnt, how they have demonstrated this learning and where else this learning might help them in PE and beyond.





Teachable Moments

Teachable moments are times within a lesson that the concept can be embedded further, or coaching can be provided to enable practical progression. Teachable moments come in two forms:

- **Targeted learning:** feedback provided to an individual or small group regarding the concept, key techniques, or sport specific information.
- **Discussion points:** Feedback provided to a class to highlight key learning or address common misconceptions.

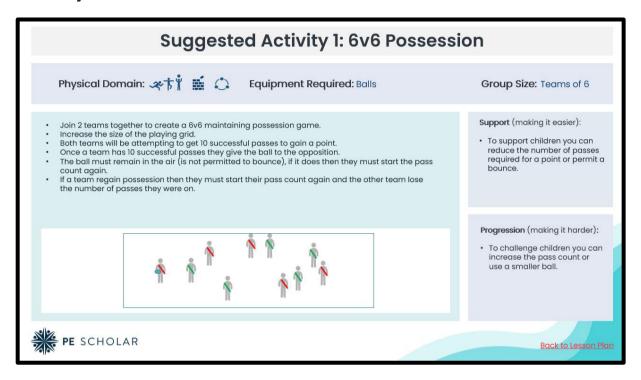
Look for these teachable moments within a lesson to deliver impactful learning at the most opportune time. If there are no opportunities for teachable moments at that time, stand back and keep the students active.

Adaptive Teaching Strategies

The purpose of the Concept Curriculum is to provide a positive and inclusive PE experience for every child. Therefore, considering adaptive teaching strategies, such as the examples listed within the resource, can ensure all children have the opportunity to learn and progress in a positive PE environment. Examples of Adaptive Teaching Strategies are provided in the exemplar lesson plans.



Activity Slides



Every activity has been planned for teachers with full, clear instructions on how to organise and run the activity. On the activity slide, you can see the following:

- Physical domain icons: this will indicate what fundamental movement skills this activity will develop.
- Equipment required
- Group size
- Support and challenge: this will support teachers to adapt the activity to add further challenge or support to meet the needs of all children.
- Activity Instructions (with diagram)

Teacher Development and Quality Assurance





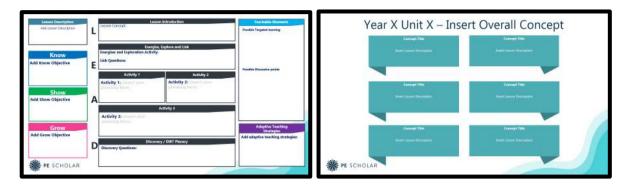
To support the development of the PE teachers delivering and the leaders implementing and embedding the Concept Curriculum, we have created lesson observation sheets. The observation sheets focus on four key aspects or a PE lesson:

- Know (cognitive development)
- Show (physical development)
- Grow (affective development)
- Inclusive Pedagogy and Environment

We have also created a lesson observation prompt sheet to support observers focus on important areas within a PE lesson and provide more constructive and meaningful feedback.



Create Your Own



We understand that every school is different, as is the needs of the students within them. Therefore, we have included some templates to enable departments to create their own unit plans around the concepts they feel would best meet their student's needs. The resource is also fully editable so you can make changes to suit your students with ease.

For PE Teachers By PE Teachers

The authors of this resource are all physical education teachers that understand the contemporary educational landscape. They share a common mission and goal to be more effective in delivering physical education experiences that are more positive, inclusive and meaningful.

More Information

For more information regarding this resource or other courses and resources please visit www.pescholar.com or contact us via support@pescholar.com



Closing Thoughts

We really hope this resource supports you in transforming your curriculum and ultimately making a bigger difference to more children and young people's lives.

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