



Oxford Spires Academy

Department of Physical Education and Sport

The Department of Sport and Physical Education develops the ethos of Sport for All. Through a variety of traditional and alternative physical activities students gain the opportunity to progress rapidly in both their physical and cognitive development of sport, physical fitness and vocational sport.

The team nurtures students through a carefully balanced curriculum providing opportunities to enhance practical skills, boost confidence and offer opportunities to those who wish to develop further in their sporting lives.

Every student is taught the core values of respect, sportsmanship and fair play as well as developing tactical and strategic awareness to outwit opponents. Lessons offer opportunities to learn how to solve problems through team and individual sports and how to work as a team in a practical environment.



KS3

In Key Stage 3 students will receive two hours per week of structured physical education covering the core strands of the national curriculum for PE which include a wide range of team and individual games (including badminton, basketball, cricket, football, netball, rounders, rugby, softball and tennis); athletic and artistic sports (including athletics and gymnastics) and fitness with an aim of development fitness for life.

KS5

In Key Stage 5, students with the right academic and vocational qualifications can follow the Level 3 (Pearson Edexcel) National Extended Certificate in Sport, enabling students to access a wide range of vocations in sport and key university courses in sport such as Coaching, Sports Therapy and Sports Performance. In 2020, our Year 13 sport students all achieved the highest possible award (Distinction*) enabling them all to pursue their chosen career paths through their first choice universities.

KS4

In Key Stage 4, alongside following an enhanced curriculum in PE from Key Stage 3, students will have the opportunity to follow academic and vocational qualifications in Sport and PE. At Oxford Spires, we offer both the GCSE (AQA) in Physical Education and the Level 1 / 2 (Pearson Edexcel) First Award in Sport, both of which have exit routes in to the world of sport and sport courses in further education. Many of our Year 11 sport students continue their study of sport into the 6th Form.



“I chose Sport in the 6th form because I find it really interesting and enjoyed it at GCSE. Oxford Spires were able to offer me all of my option choices”. - Shannon Ghee

“The reason I chose Sport in Year 12 is because I want a career in Sport. I was encouraged by my teachers to pursue this”. - Giovanni Amadio

“I chose sport because the course really interests me. I want to become a physiotherapist and I chose Oxford Spires for this course because of the relationships we have with the staff”. - Qasim Amirkaveh

Extra Curricular Sport at Oxford Spires

Oxford Spires has a proud tradition in both intra school and inter school competition. With termly inter-house sports competitions, students have the opportunity to compete against their peers in other houses in sports that recognises participation and competitive performance whilst earning valuable points towards the coveted House Cup.

Students can also train in a variety of sports through which they have the opportunity to compete both locally, regionally and in some cases, nationally! We offer extra curricular training in Basketball, Cricket, Football, Netball, Rugby, Rounders and

Cross Country. We also enter the city athletics championships and local School of Tennis tournaments.

At the end of each academic year, we celebrate the successes of our students at the highly coveted Sporting Awards' Evening, now in its 11th Year. With many former winners of major awards coming back to present our new winners. Oxford Spires prides itself on the personal and professional development of all our students past and present.

