



BELGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sports Teams Selection Policy

- Belgrave Primary School recognises the need to work towards an inclusive approach that enables as many pupils as possible to represent the School.
- Representing school at a sports competition often has a beneficial effect in the classroom.

Therefore, the following guidelines will be applied when selecting a team for any sports competition:

- Fundamentally, selection will be based on merit alone for league teams.
- For other teams, an inclusive approach will be adopted.
- The Sports lead, specialist Sports teacher and external Sports coach will, together, use their professionalism and experience to pick the appropriate teams to represent the school at all age levels using the above criteria.
- All pupils are encouraged to go to the club at lunchtime, before or after school for the sport they are striving to play competitively for. This will also be taken into consideration when selecting the team.
- As a rule, school is not informed of external scouts at matches.
- If scouts approach school, players will be given letters on merit alone.
- It is our intention that all pupils will represent the school in at least one of the many sports competitions organised, if they would like to, by the end of their time at Belgrave Primary School.
- Records are kept of participation at all events and attendance at clubs.
- Pupils are informed of this selection process.
- It is not feasible to expect that every pupil or parent will be wholly satisfied with team selection but the school's decision will be final.
- With photo permission, teams will be made public (newsletter, website, Dojo, assembly reports etc).
- If a pupil is selected as substitute (most teams will have one substitute) then they will look forward to playing at least some of the match.