

SPORT SELECTION

POLICY

Rationale:

- The Sport Selection Policy guides and describes the main processes involved in the selection of students for participation in sports events at Hartwell Primary School.
- To ensure that all Year 6 students participate in the weekly interschool Summer and Winter sport teams [Netball, Soccer, Football, Newcombe, Tee Ball, Softball, Cricket etc], before any Year 5 students are selected.
- To ensure that the most capable students, [as determined by the process outlined below] represent the school in Basketball, Athletics, Cross Country and Swimming.

Aims:

1. To have a fair, consistent and transparent method of selecting teams to represent Hartwell Primary School.
2. To ensure that method of selecting the teams is understood by the students, their parents and staff.

Implementation:

1. Trials will be held for those students who wish to try out for a team. The trials must be held over more than one day to allow for students who may be ill and to ensure all students get a fair opportunity to show their skills.
2. Students will have an opportunity to present their experience in the sport, prior to the selection trials. This will be considered but will not be the sole or main determining factor in team selection.
3. More than one teacher should be responsible for the selection of school teams, where this is practicable.
4. Parents will generally not be involved in the selection of school teams.
5. Students who are absent due to illness on the day of the trials will be given an opportunity to “challenge” for selection if they return to school within a week.
6. Before the team is finalised the selection the teachers involved will reflect on the team and agree with the final selection.
7. The team should be communicated to the students via a meeting of all who tried out, before being displayed on the notice board.
8. Trials will be held for each event and times / distances recorded for those students wanting to be selected in Athletics and Cross Country events.
9. For swimming students will be invited to attend time trials at a local pool prior to the sports.
10. Students who are unable to attend swimming trials must have a note from a swimming teacher or squad leader verifying their recent best time. This time may be used by the teacher if another trial at a pool cannot be organised.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle in November 2014.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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