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**Crackley Hall School**  
An independent school for 4-11 year olds  
A Princethorpe Foundation School

**Crackley Hall Sport**  
**2025-2026**

## KS2 PE/Games Contact Information

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## Welcome Message

A warm welcome to the programme of Physical Education, Sport and Games at Crackley Hall. This booklet provides you with key information across the department including contact details, fixtures and selection and kit requirements.

Over the course of each term, we focus on particular sports during PE/games lessons, whilst ensuring that children are given further opportunities to enhance their physical literacy by following National Curriculum guidance. The main sports we focus on are:

- Michaelmas – Hockey and Rugby
- Lent – Netball and Football
- Trinity – Cricket and Athletics

Throughout the year, children will receive a wide range of opportunities to experience many other areas of physical activity and sport, in varying contexts, including our extensive extra-curricular and competitions calendar.

We ensure that all pupils feel valued, both individually and within their team. With this in mind, it is expected that family members and friends watching fixtures from the sideline, support our ethos in the same spirit.

Lastly, we are always keen to celebrate pupils' sporting achievements outside of school, so we encourage you to tweet @CrackleyHallSch using the hashtag #crackleyhallsport.

Once again, thank you for your ongoing support of the Games' programme. Good luck to all teams once the fixtures start!

**Richard Stedeford**  
**Head of PE & Games**

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Teachers/Teaching Assistants</b>
<b><i>Rugby (Michaelmas Term)</i></b>	
<b><i>Boys' Rugby Lead</i></b>	Mr Vaughan
U11 Boys PE/Games	Mr Vaughan, Mr Stedeford, Mr Ashley
U10 Boys PE/Games	Mr Stedeford, Mr Vaughan, Mr Duigan
U9 Boys PE/Games	Mr Ashley, Mr Vaughan, Ms Robertson
U8 Boys PE/Games	Mr Vaughan, Mr Ashley, Mr Stedeford
<b><i>Girls' Rugby Lead</i></b>	
All ages	Mr Vaughan
<b><i>Hockey (Michaelmas Term)</i></b>	
<b><i>Girls' Hockey Lead</i></b>	Mrs Vaughan
U11 Girls PE/Games	Mrs Vaughan, Mrs Carroll, Miss Farquharson
U10 Girls PE/Games	Mrs Vaughan, Mrs Carroll, Miss Broadbent
U9 Girls PE/Games	Mrs Carroll, Mrs Vaughan, Miss Farquharson
U8 Girls PE/Games	Mrs Carroll, Mr Stedeford, Ms Robertson
<b><i>Boys' Hockey Lead</i></b>	
All age groups	Mrs Vaughan

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Teachers/Teaching Assistants</b>
<b>Netball (Lent Term)</b>	
<b>Girls' Netball Lead</b>	Mrs Vaughan
U11 Girls PE & Games	Mrs Vaughan, Mr Vaughan, Miss Farquharson
U10 Girls PE & Games	Mrs Vaughan, Mr Vaughan, Miss Broadbent
U9 Girls PE & Games	Mrs Vaughan, Mr Vaughan, Miss Farquharson
U8 Girls PE & Games	Mr Vaughan, Mrs Carroll, Ms Robertson
<b>Football (Lent Term)</b>	
<b>Boys' Football Lead</b>	Mr Stedeford
U11 Boys PE & Games	Mr Stedeford, Mr Ashley, Mrs Carroll
U10 Boys PE & Games	Mr Stedeford, Mrs Carroll, Mr Duigan
U9 Boys PE & Games	Mr Ashley, Mrs Carroll, Ms Robertson
U8 Boys PE & Games	Mr Stedeford, Mr Ashley, Mr Duigan
<b>Girls' Football Lead</b>	
All ages	Mr Stedeford
<b>Cricket Lead</b>	Mr Ashley/Mr Stedeford
U11 PE & Games	Mrs Vaughan, Mr Stedeford, Mr Ashley, Mr Vaughan, Mrs Carroll, Miss Farquharson
U10 PE & Games	Mrs Vaughan, Mr Stedeford, Mr Vaughan, Mrs Carroll, Mr Duigan, Miss Broadbent
U9 PE & Games	Mr Ashley, Mrs Vaughan, Mr Vaughan, Mrs Carroll
U8 PE & Games	Mr Vaughan, Mr Ashley, Mr Stedeford, Mrs Carroll, Mr Duigan, Miss Farquharson
<b>Cross Country Lead</b>	Mr Vaughan
<b>Athletics Lead</b>	Mr Vaughan

## The Crackley Hall Sporting Values

This year, we have created our sporting values. Led by the children, these are the same for all of KS2 and represent behaviours that we expect from the children when being part of a PE/games lesson or a sports fixture. Children will sign up to these values, promising to try their best to abide by them. Before anything else, these values inform our decisions when picking who will represent Crackley Hall at sports fixtures.

- **Sportsmanship:** Always play fair, follow the rules, and show kindness to everyone, whether you win or lose.
- **Positivity:** Keep a cheerful attitude, encourage your teammates, and always try your best, even when things are tough.
- **Organisation:** Be prepared and ready for your activities, making sure you have everything you need and know what to do.
- **Respect:** Treat others the way you want to be treated, listen to your coaches and teammates, and take care of the equipment.
- **Teamwork:** Work together with your friends, support each other, and remember that everyone's effort is important for success.

## Contacting staff

If you have an enquiry about a particular sport, please contact the teacher who coaches your son/daughter's age group (see pages 2-3). Email is the best method for contacting teaching staff, who are often away from their desks during the school day. If your question is generic, please contact Head of PE & Games, Rich Stedeford.

## Watching fixtures and Positive Sport Parents

Parents are welcome to attend both home and away fixtures. Please refer to [www.crackleyhallsport.co.uk](http://www.crackleyhallsport.co.uk) for all details.

Sport is an integral and pivotal part of Crackley Hall life and everyone should enjoy engaging in it, whether as a participant, spectator, official at home or visiting. The environment should be nurturing, positive and welcoming to all. Please may we ask you to abide by some simple guidelines and ensure those around you do so too:

## Positive Support

- Support my child's participation and efforts in Crackley Hall's activities.
- Encourage my child to demonstrate sportsmanship, respect, and teamwork always.
- Applaud the efforts of all participants, coaches, and officials, regardless of the outcome.

## Respectful Behaviour

- Treat all participants, coaches, officials, and other parents with respect, dignity, and courtesy.
- Respect all decisions made by coaches with regards to team selection.

## Role Modelling

- Be a positive role model for my child by demonstrating good sportsmanship, fair play, and respect for others, both on and off the field.

## Fixtures and selection

All fixture details can be found via:

1. [www.crackleyhallsport.co.uk](http://www.crackleyhallsport.co.uk)
2. [www.crackleyhall.co.uk/sport](http://www.crackleyhall.co.uk/sport)

We pride ourselves on the diverse opportunities available to all pupils to get involved in sport and physical activity at Crackley Hall. The main aim of the sports department is to run a comprehensive sports' programme, which allows all pupils to represent the school with confidence and to the best of their ability, in a variety of contexts.

All pupils are considered for selection and team sheets are published on the [www.crackleyhallsport.co.uk](http://www.crackleyhallsport.co.uk) website. The team sheets are password protected, which is shared with parents at the start of term.

The training and fixture programme is agreed a term in advance to allow careful planning.

## Pupil expectations for selection

- **Attitude (following the Crackley Hall Sporting Values):** Pupils are expected to listen to coaching advice and respect decisions made by the member of staff in charge, including cover staff. Additionally, they should encourage and support their peers on the court or pitch.
- **Ability:** To enhance their individual skills, team cohesion, and technical knowledge; pupils need to dedicate themselves to Games lessons and after-school clubs.
- **Interest/enthusiasm:** Children who show enthusiasm for enhancing their learning will not only have a more positive experience themselves, but also assist others in their learning journey.
- **Availability:** We expect pupils to fully commit if selected for a fixture. We understand however that availability can sometimes be beyond your control. Pupils may be excused from selection due to extenuating circumstances. Please inform your child's sports teacher of any such situations.
- **Communication:** Discussions between pupils and coaches about being excused from selection should take place well before the fixture.
- **Commitment:** Staff make team selections after the training session of the week leading up to the fixture.

As always, if you have any questions, please direct them to your age group and activity coach.

### **Pupil expectations for fixtures**

- Arrive wearing the correct kit, as explained in the sports kit list.
- Attending refreshments after the fixture, whether home or away, is expected.
- Always conduct yourself appropriately while enjoying the privilege of representing Crackley Hall.
- School code of conduct and rules applies to fixtures; no jewellery (including earrings) is allowed.
- If your child is unwell on the day of the fixture, please email the appropriate member of staff, including the school office.

## **Fixture and training cancellations**

### **Adverse Weather Protocol for Games / Fixtures / Clubs:**

We do not take the decision to cancel after-school clubs or fixtures lightly, as your child's safety is our top priority.

Any decision to cancel games, fixtures, or clubs due to weather will be made by 1:00pm to ensure parents are informed in a timely manner. This decision will be based on staff assessments of various weather forecasts and radars, considering the percentage chance of rain and any weather warnings.

- If there have been any severe weather warnings for the time that games / fixtures are held, the decision should be made to cancel (including high winds and severely low temperatures)
- If there is an 80% or more chance of rain forecast, games / fixtures/ clubs should be cancelled.
- If the forecasted temperature is 2 degrees or below, fixtures will be cancelled and clubs moved elsewhere (if possible).

In all cases, we aim to continue our club provision either in the hall or in a classroom.

In the event of cancellation:

- Staff responsible for clubs will ensure that any children not collected at usual car-line are catered for, either in the hall or in a classroom. This includes dismissal, where the children should be taken to the science room door for dismissal at their usual club end time.
- Any children not collected at the end of club will be sent to after-care.
- Parents should be informed via email by 1.30pm, so that they can collect early (at carline) if they wish.
- For away fixtures, cancellation times are determined by communication from the host school, so we cannot guarantee you will be notified by the above time.

## Health & Safety

### Concussions in Sport

It is crucial for pupils and parents to be familiar with the concussion protocols set by the RFU, England Hockey, and other National Governing Bodies. Every potential concussion must be taken seriously, giving pupils ample time to recover. Returning to play too soon can hinder full recovery and heighten the risk of future injuries.

At Crackley Hall, pupil welfare both on and off the sports field is taken extremely seriously. Recently there has been growing concern over head injuries and concussion in sport. To ensure that we are providing gold-standard care to our pupils, the school has decided to partner with Return2Play, the UK's leading sports medicine partners for schools. Feedback from other schools and parents utilising their expertise has been overwhelmingly positive.

### What do Return2Play provide

Return2Play provide Head Injury and Concussion cover for pupils. This covers your child(ren) for 12 months whether their injuries happen at school, home or elsewhere.

Return2Play's cover provides benefits such as:

- Unlimited access to the UK's leading concussion doctors and experts in the event of an injury.
- Unlimited online appointments at convenient times in midweek evenings and weekends, so that you don't have to miss any work, nor your child miss any school.
- Peace of mind that your children are receiving gold-standard care.
- No delays in returning your children to sport.

For more details on how the service works and the benefits, please visit:

[www.return2play.org.uk/r2pforparents](http://www.return2play.org.uk/r2pforparents)

Parents and pupils have been sent instructions and should have access to the R2P system now, and what process to follow to ensure that your child is fit to return to play sport.

**All head injuries must be reported to the school office**, so that all staff are aware of them in the school day and at external clubs.

## Sports Clothing

Pupils are expected to be appropriately dressed in full Crackley Hall sports kit for the activities which they are playing. We like to foster independence at Crackley Hall, therefore pupils should be encouraged to pack their own bag and look after their own clearly named kit. Pupils must wear Crackley Hall branded PE kit when they have their Games afternoon. On these days, they may arrive at school in their kit, which must include their full Crackley Hall tracksuit (black tracksuit bottoms, black fleece top)

Games Lessons – Michaelmas and Lent Term	
Rugby	Hockey
Black shorts	Black sports shorts or skort
Striped rugby shirt	Striped shirt (white PE shirt allowed if the weather is warm, unless it is for a fixture)
Football/rugby boots	Long maroon socks
Mouthguard	Trainers/ astro-turf trainers
Long maroon socks	Mouthguard and shin pads

Games Lessons – Michaelmas and Lent Term	
Netball	Football
Black sports shorts or skort	Black sports shorts
Striped rugby shirt	Striped rugby shirt
White socks	Long maroon socks
	Football boots
	Shin pads

Games Lessons – Trinity Term	
Cricket and Athletics	Cricket Matches
White summer polo	U11, U10A Hardball – Full cricket whites, blazer. Pupils must have their own box. All other protective equipment can be provided. Children are also welcome to bring their own. <i>*We are in the process of purchasing school whites that may be borrowed.</i>
Black shorts	All other age groups, softball matches require children to wear their usual summer PE kit or cricket whites, should they choose.
White socks	
Trainers	

In cold weather, pupils should wear school-branded black tracksuit bottoms, black sports fleeces, and/or Crackley Hall sports jackets. Gloves are optional for hockey and football but are not permitted for rugby or netball.

If pupils choose to wear base layers or 'skinz' during PE or Games lessons, they must be black. No jewellery, including earrings or watches, is allowed, and hair must be tied up.

Only Crackley Hall sports kit can be worn for sports lessons and at after school clubs. If a sports club is on a day that is not a pupil's timetabled games afternoon, they may wear their summer PE top. On these days, they must arrive at school in the usual school uniform (and before their club). All kit must be clearly labelled and valuables placed in your locker when you collect your sports bag.

### **Junior 3 to Junior 6 Rugby / Football Boot Information**

Following a review of Rugby Football Union's (RFU) guidance, children may now wear football/rugby boots (that include studs or blades) for both football and rugby PE lessons and fixtures, providing they conform with World Rugby specifications (law 4, regulation 12).

In general, most major brands ensure that their products are compliant. Please be aware that full metal rugby studs are still not allowed for football matches.

Parents should regularly check that boots, studs/blades are safe to use and are interpreted as 'not sharp or abrasive'. Boots will also be checked by the referee before each sports fixture.

A copy of the RFU's 'RugbySafe Essential Guide' can be found on separate link on the Crackley Hall sports website.