



Knowledge Organiser: Gymnastics Y4

Links to the PE National Curriculum

- Pupils should continue to apply and develop a broader range of skills, learning how to use them in different ways and to link them to make actions and sequences of movement.
- Pupils should be taught to develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance [for example, through athletics and gymnastics].

Key Skills: Physical

- Individual and partner balances
- Jumps using rotation
- Straight roll
- Barrel roll
- Forward roll
- Straddle roll
- Bridge
- Shoulder stand



Key Skills: S.E.T

- Social: Responsibility
- Social: Collaboration
- Social: Communication
- Social: Respect
- Emotional: Confidence
- Thinking: Observing and providing feedback
- Thinking: Selecting and applying actions
- Thinking: Evaluating and improving sequences

Ways to improve a sequence

- **Level:** Use a variety of levels. Can you explore that balance, shape, jump on a different level?
- **Action:** Include a variety of actions such as a jump, balance, travel, shape.
- **Balance:** Hold your balances with good extension and clear shapes for 3 - 5 seconds.
- **Body tension:** Squeeze your muscles to create and hold strong clear shapes.
- **Direction:** Vary the direction used within a sequence e.g. forwards, backwards, sideways.
- **Speed:** Vary the speed used within a sequence e.g. fast and slow.
- **Pathway:** Change the path that is used e.g. straight, L shaped, diagonal etc.

Key Vocabulary:

- technique
- quality
- sequence
- perform
- rotation
- extension
- apparatus
- inverted
- shape

Teacher Glossary

- **Shapes:** E.g. tuck, pike, straddle, dish, arch, star, front support, back support.
- **Action:** The skill a gymnast uses in their sequence e.g. travel, jump, shape, balance, roll.
- **Pathway:** Designs traced in space (on the floor or in the air).
- **Inverted movement:** An action where the hips go above the head such as a shoulder stand, bridge and cartwheel.
- **Sequence:** A number of actions linked together.
- **Body tension:** Squeezing muscles to help to stay strong when performing actions. Having good body tension improves the quality of an action.