

SEND in PE Adaptive Teaching Considerations

Staff should be expected to have a clear awareness of individual targets (ILP targets) and how they should be addressed in PE. Where schools are using external providers; the teachers are expected to give a verbal overview of the needs for individuals and adaptations required (within the guidelines for GDPR).

General 'rules' for modifying activities and ensuring suitable progress from individual starting points.

Cognition and Learning

Teaching	Equipment	Space
Short, simple instructions	Choices of way to achieve the task	Grouping carefully and giving more/less space for
Closed questions	Simplified amount	specific activities.
Questions visually presented	Pre-prepared/in place to reduce cognitive load	
Video/visual aids	SEND bag of modified equipment	Having a seating space with
Extra thinking and response time	e.gsofter/larger/textured balls scoops/Velcro mits for	
Re-cap	catching.	Using the technology in hall spaces or flash cards to
Pupil positioning for demonstrations vary between	Using smaller / larger hoops for scoring. Having	give a visual representation of expectations (SMART
adult and 'role model' student for demonstrations.	overload on attack v defence, allowing more passes or	boards with Gym shapes/body positions and the
Re-call of instructions through 'show me' what you	more bounces, fewer elements to sequences of	Jasmine videos etc)
need to do instead of tell	movement	
	Sound ball (with a bell etc) for visual imparements.	

Sensory & Physical

Teaching	Equipment	Space
Visual variety of stimuli Regular reinforcement	Have a soft ball or replace ball with balloons or scarves. Throw down hands and feet shapes in different colours.	If noise levels are a trigger, place by open door to allow access to outside as a break out space.

Non-verbal cues from about tasks. 3 cones, red shown	White boards or iPads with lists or pre-loaded.	
= not confident, yellow shown = need more input from		
teacher, green shown = happy.		
Staff use of hand signals for class where hearing is the		
disability; 1 hand in the air = stop and listen where you		
are. 2 hands = stop but come and sit by the teacher.		
Visual 'tick list' on a board to provide a scaffolded task.		
Where partner working is a sensory difficulty, working		
with a 'shadow' partner as an alternative (no touch,		
but actively engaged with distance between).	Woggles and floats	
Lead in time/activity prior to activity eg swimming –		
time to adjust to the environment with TA or other		
adult.		

Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH)

Teaching	Equipment	Space
Lesson protocols routines and expectations are clear.	Sensory breaks	Break out space
Strategies for managing behaviour are common in the	Being able to use a stability ball	Close to or away from children or triggers
classroom and in PE.		
Trusted learning partners to provide stability.	Peers	
Pre-teaching of activities to make expectations/prior	Carefully selected groups	
knowledge of what is to come. Weekly re-cap of	Choice of challenge level.	
learning journey and awareness of what comes next.		
Children with attachment.		
Activity level low treashold high ceiling – clear small		
steps to allow success but enable high challenge		
without feeling of being overwhelmed.		
Consistent use of rewards/praise in PE		
Elements of the session that are non-competitive to	As necessary to facilitate non competitive	
allow for the children who are not as competitive to		
thrive.		

Communication and Interaction

Teaching	Equipment	Space
Teacher in consistent spaces for security.	Less equipment / fewer rules to reduce cognitive load.	Smaller or bigger space to help regulate
Facing children/enabling to see clearly for	Choice of 'level of challenge'	Break out space
demonstrations.		
Set partners or groupings for consistency and security.		
Allowing an element of choice in activities re roles and		
responsibilities eg – coach, player, quality control,		
analysis etc.		

Access to School Games Inclusion festivals.