

Lawfield's pupils take part in a wide variety of sports including cricket, cross-country running, cycling, netball, basketball, football, hockey and rugby, depending on the interests of the children. We also take part in sports festivals, joining with other schools in Midlothian and we hold an annual Sports Day in June at Newbattle Community High School.

Our curriculum support teacher in P.E. gives weekly lessons to all our children from P2-P7. During this time the class teachers have development time. If, for any reason, you do not wish your child to receive P.E. in any week please send a note. The Nursery and P1 PE curriculum is delivered by their own Class Teachers.

### SWIMMING

Pupils in P4 benefit from a block of swimming lessons each year. Where there is a composite class including P4, the whole class will be included in the swimming lessons.

In all of this, we want to find a balance between helping children try their hardest and also develop a sportsmanlike attitude. There are also opportunities for children to meet up with children from other schools through sport. We benefit greatly from having an Active Schools Co-ordinator, who supports many additional Health and Fitness opportunities for the children and encourages new activities in all the Midlothian schools.

Health Education permeates our whole school ethos. Our school meals service promotes healthy ingredients and healthy choices. Personal and Social Development is a fundamental aspect of the education of the whole child. It is concerned with the development of life skills. Through our school aims and curriculum, we promote positive self worth and a regard for the value and needs of others, developing in our pupils the skills necessary to enable them to make informed healthy choices throughout their primary school years and beyond.

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## RELIGIOUS AND MORAL EDUCATION

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Religious and Moral Education helps pupils learn about important aspects of Christianity, and other major religions, and to understand why people attach great importance to their religious beliefs. Pupils are also given the opportunity to think about personal aspects of religion and moral issues. Throughout their programmes of study, we aim to support and encourage pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural values and

to consider questions about meaning and purpose in life. We hold a regular programme of assemblies in Lawfield throughout the school year. Our assemblies are led by class stages and promoted staff and supported by guest speakers. Assembly themes support discussion in the classroom setting. Moral education permeates all areas of school life.



Raising money for charity.

While recognising the role of Christianity as the major religious tradition of this country, all pupils are encouraged to develop understanding of, and respect for, people of other faiths or beliefs and people who adopt a non-religious stance for living. Legislation allows parents the right to withdraw, without detriment, a child from any religious observance or religious education. We aim to identify and agree suitable alternative arrangements, as appropriate, and encourage parents to share their wishes with the school.