

Primary Basketball Competition

Years	Key Stage 2
Team Size	6 players (if you have more players, split them up over the two weeks. Team sizes of more than 6 in one night will result in forfeiting a medal place).
Squad Size	3 on court at a time
Gender	Mixed (Boys & Girls)
Gender Criteria	No criteria for ratio of boys & girls on court.
Format	3v3. Each child must play in one full half, adjustments can be made in the event of injury or at the request of the referee for poor conduct.
Duration	Games should be: 10 minutes 2 x 5-minute periods dependent on entries
Scoring	Baskets scored = 2 points. Free throw = 2 points 3 points for a win, 1 for a draw.
Equipment	Coloured bibs in case of kit clash (provided) Size 5 Balls
Awards	Certificates for all participants Medals for top 3.

Competition Rules

- First possession is decided by a jump ball. From here out possession will alternate, in the event of another tied ball the basketball must be returned to the Referee before the inbound pass is live.
- The games will be played to three basic rules
 1. Non-Contact – Some contact is inevitable in basketball, and players should be made aware, but contact will be called as a foul. Referees will be instructed to pay attention to contact on a player who is in the act of shooting or dribbling the ball. Players should be instructed to do their best to not make contact although blocking shots, stealing the ball, and pulling from hands are all allowed when clean. Defensively players do not have to leave any space like netball, they can play as close as they like without making contact.

2. Travelling – Players may not move with the ball in their hands unless dribbling, after dribbling players will be allowed two steps in which to stop their motion or go into
 3. their shooting motion (more experienced players will take advantage of this, it is not a travel)
 4. Double Dribble – Whilst dribbling players may only use one hand at a time, they can alternate hands as much as they like. However, once the ball has been picked up, they may not dribble it again, they must pass or shoot.
- A retreat rule will be enforced during games by the referee when one team is losing by 4. This will consist of the winning team only being able to mark and defend players once they have crossed over half court.
 - In the event of a foul or violation the ball will be inbounded from the nearest side-line or baseline. This will only change when a player is fouled in the act of shooting, in which case the player fouled will be awarded a free throw, which if scored is worth two points.
 - Particularly hard or unsportsmanlike fouls may also be awarded with a free throw at the discretion of the referee. Fouls deemed this dangerous may also result in ejection of the player from the game. An example of an unsportsmanlike foul would be a deliberate and hard push with no attempt to play the ball.

When taking part in any Chorley SSP Competition, all participants, teachers and spectators should adhere to the Fair Play, Friendship, Honesty & Respect Charter. A copy of this can be downloaded from our website: www.chorleyssp.co.uk
PLEASE RESPECT THE REFEREE. If a member of your staff or supporting party are deemed to be offending players, referees or members of the opposition then you, as the school representative, will be asked to resolve the incident in the first instance. If this matter is still not resolved then the organising committee (Chorley SSP) have the right to remove the offender/s from the tournament.