

| Tennis   |  |                                     |   | Year 4   |               |
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| Theme  | Sending Skills                                       |                                     |   | <u>.</u> |               |
| Learning Objectives:   |  | Equipment:                          |   | TA:      |               |
| 1. Perform the basic skills needed for the games with control and accuracy |  |                                     |   |          |               |
| 2. Participate   | in competitive games, modified where appropriate     | Tennis Rackets, Tennis Balls, Cones |   |          |               |
| 3. Recognise   | 3. Recognise and explain good performances           |                                     |   |          |               |
| Cross Curricular Opportunities   |  |                                     |   |          |               |
| Literacy:  | Tennis, Ball, Racket, Control, Safety, Pass, Balance | Citizenship:                        | Cooperation with others                             |          |               |
| Keywords   | Termis, Dan, Nacket, Control, Calety, 1 ass, Dalance | Citizensinp.                        | Cooperation with others                             |          |               |
| Numeracy:  | Count successful shots played                        | ICT:                                |   |          |               |
| SEN:   |  | Risk                                | Refer to schools Physical Education risk assessment |          | sk assessment |
|  |  | Assessment:                         | document and policy                                 |          |               |
| Teacher Notes  |  |                                     |   |          |               |

The aim of this lesson is to introduce the tennis ball and racket to the children. It involves playing games that allow the children to become familiar with the ball and racket

The focus with the ball should be:

Controlling the ball – explained to the children as 'looking after the ball', handling it and reacting to collect it should be the focus of the lesson

The focus with the racket should be:

Emphasising the importance of using a racket safely and sensibly:

- Only use/swing the racket is designated areas
- Take care with it when moving around other children
- Always behave sensibly with a tennis racket in your control

| Lesson part | Content  | Teaching points   | Image | Duration |
|-------------|--|---|-------|----------|
| Warm Up     | Number crazy  Ask the children to jog around the area  Whilst jogging around the area call out numbers for actions they must complete:  1 = Touch the floor with one hand 2 = Jump in the air 3 = Touch the floor with two hands 4 = Celebrate scoring a point | <ul> <li>Think of different actions you can add</li> <li>Heads up</li> <li>Look where you are going</li> <li>Gradually increase speed to increase heart rate</li> </ul> |       | 5 Min    |

| Coordination<br>and<br>Movement | Hot hands  Ask the children to work in pairs - each pair should have 1 ball  Each pair should find a space and stand facing each other 5/6 steps apart  Ask the pairs to throw the ball back and forth between each other as quickly as possible - the ball is too hot to hold for long!!  | <ul> <li>Hands ready</li> <li>Eyes on the ball</li> <li>Quick hands</li> <li>Good throws for your partner to catch</li> </ul>  | 5/6 Steps →                                       | 5 Min  |
|---------------------------------|--|--|---|--------|
| Skill<br>Development            | Hand Tennis  The game is played by 2 children - 1 v 1, on a small court with a net or divide - See the diagram to see how a court is set up  Play the game using throwing and catching skills. The aim is to make the ball bounce twice in your opponents area to score a point  Keep playing the game keeping track of the points scored                        | <ul> <li>Aim for space</li> <li>Move quickly</li> <li>Watch the ball</li> <li>Underarm throws</li> <li>Get in line to catch the ball and stop it bouncing</li> </ul>                   | 4/5<br>Steps •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••• | 10 Min |
| Skill<br>Development            | Understanding the Grip  Explain to the children the correct technique of how to hold a tennis racket  Get the children into pairs and ask them to take it in turns to hold the tennis racket and the partner has to provide the feedback to if the racket is being held correctly or how to improve  Differentiation- Hold the racket like you are shaking hands | Wrap your hand around<br>the grip and you<br>should be able to place<br>index finger of your<br>other hand between the<br>tips of your fingers and<br>palm of your hand on<br>the grip |   | 2 Min  |

| Skill<br>Development | Developing the hit  The game is played by 2 children - on a small court with a net or divide - See the diagram to see how a court is set up  Each pair needs one tennis racket and ball between them. One child stands on one side of the court with the racket with their partner on the other side with the ball  The child with the ball throws (feeds) the ball over the net/divide for their partner with the racket  The aim for the child with the racket is to hit the ball back over the net/divide for their partner to catch  Swap roles after every 5 successful catches  Differentiation – Allow the ball to bounce twice, play the shot a drop feed-drop the ball, let it bounce and then play the shot | <ul> <li>Get into position to hit the ball</li> <li>Controlled shot back to partner</li> <li>Good underarm feed</li> <li>Allow the ball to bounce before it is hit</li> <li>Swing the racket back as the ball comes towards you</li> <li>Swing the racket forward to strike the ball</li> <li>Speed the racket is swung at effects how hard the ball is hit – experiment with this</li> </ul> | 4/5<br>Steps Feeder S/6 Steps | 10-15<br>Min   |
|----------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Game                 | Keep the Rally Going  The game is played in pairs  Each pair needs a small court to play on, 1 tennis ball between them and 1 tennis racket each. The aim is for the pairs to keep a rally going for as long as possible hitting the ball back and forth over the net/divide  The ball is allowed to bounce twice before it is returned. Challenge the children to beat their longest rally  Differentiation – Allow the ball to bounce 3 times in a rally  | <ul> <li>Cooperate with your partner</li> <li>Make the shot easy for your partner to return</li> <li>Move into position quickly</li> <li>Count the number of shots in a rally</li> <li>Watch the ball</li> </ul>  | 4/5<br>Steps 5/6 Steps        | 10 - 15<br>min |

|           | Static Stretching – pupil led   | Gradually decrease intensity                        |       |
|-----------|---|---|-------|
|           | Ask the children to stand in a semi-circle around teacher   | Good quality     movement                           |       |
| Warm Down | Ask individual children to step out and demonstrate a stretch to the class                                  | Hold for 10 – 12     seconds                        | 5 Min |
|           | Start at the top of the body and work all the way down the body stretching the major body parts             | Hold still     Don't bounce                         |       |
|           |   | Where can you feel the stretch?                     |       |
|           | Tell me something you have done well today?   | Hitting the ball - Think     about accuracy, aiming |       |
|           | How do you use the racket safely?   | and power  Sending a ball – Aim                     |       |
| Plenary:  | What should you do when hitting the ball?   | the ball, consider power of the shot                | 5 Min |
|           | <ul> <li>When you are sending the ball to a target/ partner what do you need to<br/>think about?</li> </ul> |   |       |
|           |   |   |       |

## How did the children get on playing the games today?

- Most had a good go and played the games with some success...

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## **Evaluation:**

- Most found the game too difficult...

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- Most found the game too easy...

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