

Tennis				Year 3	
Theme	Theme Receiving Skills				
Learning Objectives:		Equipment:		TA:	
1. Apply and develop a broader range of skills					
2. Choose the	appropriate throwing techniques to meet the demands of the task	Tennis Rackets, Tennis Balls, Cones			
3. Learn how to	3. Learn how to evaluate and recognise their own success				
	Cross Curricular C	pportunities			
Literacy:	Tennis, Ball, Racket, Control, Safety, Pass, Balance	Citizenship:	Cooperation with others		
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Numeracy:	Count successful shots played	ICT:			
SEN:		Risk	Refer to schools Physical Education risk 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	Live at Wimbledon Mark an area for the children to safely move around in Introduce the following instructions and actions to the children: 'Play' – Move around the area performing tennis actions 'Rewind' – Walk backwards, carefully, looking where you are going 'Fast Forwards' – Jog around the area 'Pause' – Move side to side like you are on the baseline of the court 'Stop' – Freeze still on the spot performing a tennis serve or movement	 Give the children specific movements when play is called Ensure the children are moving into space Perform the actions with the children as a visual reminder 	Play Rewind Fast Forward Pause Stop	5 Min

Coordination and Movement	Catch on the move Split the class into groups of 5/6 children and give each group 1 ball Each group should find a space and form a small circle as shown in the diagram with one child standing with the ball in the centre. The child in the middle can throw the ball to any of the children in the circle who must catch it and throw it back to the child in the middle The child in the centre should keep throwing the ball to different children. Keep changing the child in the centre Differentiation – Decrease size of the circle Progression – Children in the circle should start to move around slowly keeping the circle	 Hands ready Eyes on the ball Quick hands Concentrate 		5 – 10 Min
Skill 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	 Aim for space Move quickly Watch the ball Underarm throws Get in line to catch the ball and stop it bouncing 	4/5 Steps	10 Min

Skill 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 the grip and you should be able to place index finger of your other hand between the tips of your fingers and palm of your hand on the grip		2 Min
Skill Development	The children work in pairs with 1 racket and ball between them. Set up a small court for each pair to work on as shown in the diagram One child should stand on one side of the net/divide with the racket, two steps back from the net/divide. Their partner should stand in the same position on the opposite side of the net/divide with the ball The child with the ball acts as the feeder and throws the ball over the net/divide to their partner who hits the ball back over the net/divide for the feeder to catch. Once the ball has been hit back and caught successfully 4 times the child should take a step back away from the net/divide Keep repeating the process until the child reaches the back of their court. Then swap roles so the child that was feeding the ball gets to play the shots Differentiation – Use palm of the hand instead of a tennis racket Progression – Introduce a second racket so both children on the court have one and repeat the activity	 Get into position to hit the ball Controlled shot back to partner Good underarm feed Allow the ball to bounce before it is hit Swing the racket back as the ball comes towards you Swing the racket forward to strike the ball Speed the racket is swung at effects how hard the ball is hit – experiment with this 	4/5 Steps Feeder 5/6 Steps	10-15 M in

Game	Racket v No Racket The game is played 1 v 1 on a small court Each pair requires 1 tennis racket, 1 tennis ball and a court to work on as shown in the diagram. The children play mini-tennis against each other, one child with a tennis racket and the other using throwing and catching skills The rules of the game are as follows: The ball is allowed to bounce twice If the ball bounces 3 times in the court a point is scored If the ball does not go over the net/divide 1 point is scored The next point starts with a serve from the back of the court Each child has two serves and then their opponent has two serves - keep swapping every 2 serves First to 7 points wins After the game, swap the child who plays with the racket so both children experience playing the game with and without a racket	 Take up a good position on the court Move quickly to get to the ball to play a shot Think about the directions of the shot you play Hands ready to catch, eyes on the ball 	4/5 Steps 5/6 Steps	10 - 15 min
Warm Down	Circle Stretch Sitting Split the class into groups of 6 Give each group 1 ball and ask them to form a small circle. Each child should sit on the floor facing the centre of the circle Ask the children to roll the ball around the group passing it to everyone in the group The activity is complete after the children have completed 10 passes	 Aim roll of the ball Encourage a quiet calm environment Encourage children to keep their legs straight Gradually decrease intensity 		5 Min



	Tell me something you have done well today?	Encourage and prompt	
	How do you use the racket safely?	the children to share what they have done well	
	What do you need to do when the ball is coming towards you?	In a designated area	
Plenary		without swinging the	5 Min
	Why is it important to get in line to receive the ball?	racket	
		Move to get in line with	
		the ball	
		So you can return the	
		ball successfully	

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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