

“We believe that dodgeball should be recognized as a leading example in encouraging young people to become active and help lead a healthy lifestyle”
Southern Road Primary



**BRITISH
DODGEBALL**

BRITISH DODGEBALL PRIMARY SCHOOL SURVEY

Between January and March 2019 British Dodgeball conducted a survey to find out more about primary school dodgeball. Recent studies from Ofsted have shown that dodgeball is in great demand in primary schools with more children expressing that they want to have more opportunities to play dodgeball than any other sport. We wanted to uncover a bit more about what is taking place in schools currently. 71 primary schools from across the UK took part in the survey. Throughout these pages you will see quotes taken from some of the primary schools that completed the survey



“The children love dodgeball and a recent pupil perception had 40% of children vote dodgeball as their favourite sport in PE, which was more than football, rugby and gymnastics”

Lawford Mead Primary



71 PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1 in Glasgow

15 in the North West

2 in North Wales

19 in the Midlands

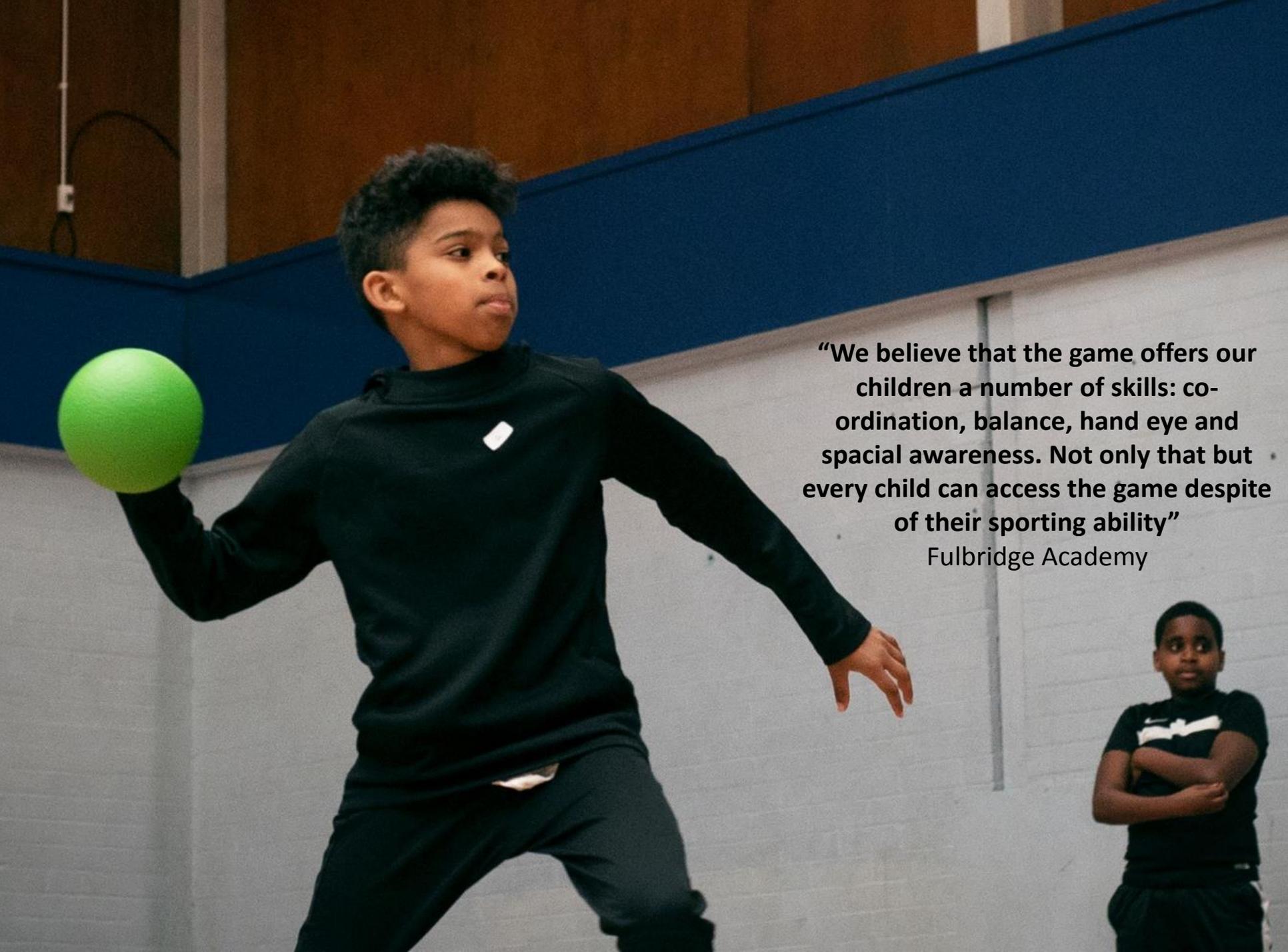


11 in the North East & Yorkshire

6 in the East

10 in and around London

7 on the South Coast



“We believe that the game offers our children a number of skills: co-ordination, balance, hand eye and spacial awareness. Not only that but every child can access the game despite of their sporting ability”

Fulbridge Academy



71 SCHOOLS TOOK PART

WITH A TOTAL OF 6,049 DODGEBALL PARTICIPANTS

59.7% of schools deliver dodgeball sessions for years 1 & 2

97.2% of schools deliver dodgeball sessions for years 3 & 4

98.6% of schools deliver dodgeball sessions for years 5 & 6

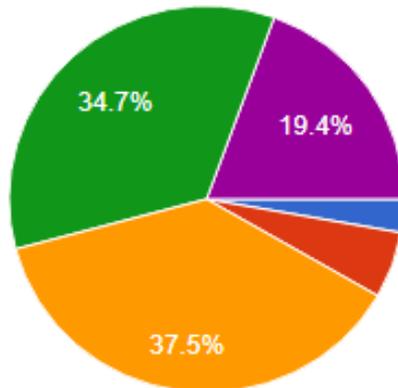
We feel that Dodgeball epitomizes what sport is all about - fun, an adrenaline rush, great fitness, a great brain work-out with tactics, aids concentration and develops core social values”

Trumacar Primary School





HOW OFTEN DO YOU PLAY?



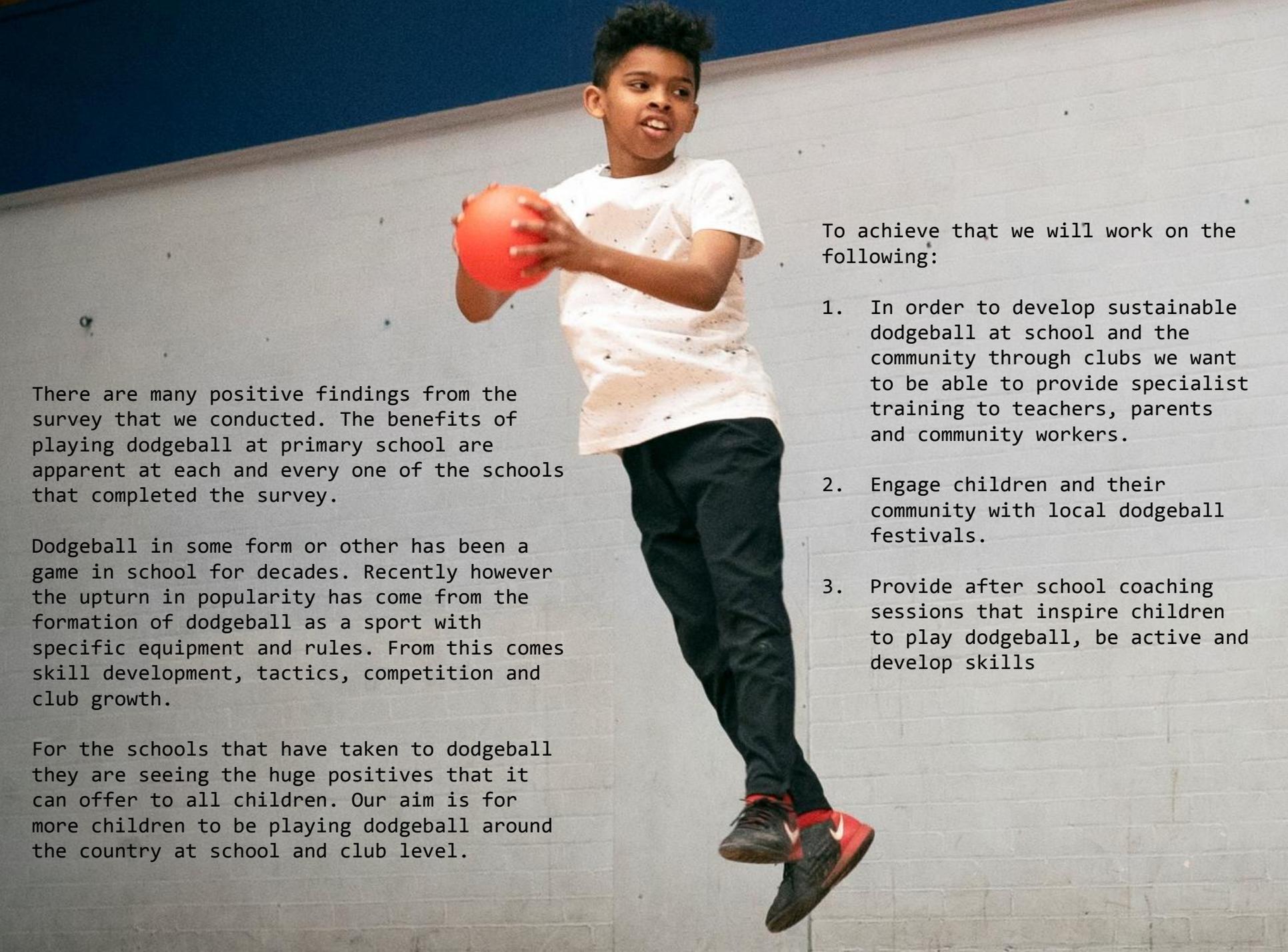
- Once per year
- Once per term
- Every week
- More than once per week
- Every day, we can't stop playing



“The children participate in regular inter house dodgeball competitions across the whole school, getting all year groups and demographics involved. We have a 100% uptake in these competitions, ensuring SEN, PP and inactive children are also taking part in dodgeball”

Chancel Primary School





There are many positive findings from the survey that we conducted. The benefits of playing dodgeball at primary school are apparent at each and every one of the schools that completed the survey.

Dodgeball in some form or other has been a game in school for decades. Recently however the upturn in popularity has come from the formation of dodgeball as a sport with specific equipment and rules. From this comes skill development, tactics, competition and club growth.

For the schools that have taken to dodgeball they are seeing the huge positives that it can offer to all children. Our aim is for more children to be playing dodgeball around the country at school and club level.

To achieve that we will work on the following:

1. In order to develop sustainable dodgeball at school and the community through clubs we want to be able to provide specialist training to teachers, parents and community workers.
2. Engage children and their community with local dodgeball festivals.
3. Provide after school coaching sessions that inspire children to play dodgeball, be active and develop skills

“Dodgeball has been a part of the PE curriculum in foundation and KS1 for a great basis of learning fundamental movement skills, both the sporty and non-sporty children love it”

St Michael Catholic Primary School

