## Fundamental movement skills for families



## Why are fundamental movement skills important?

Fundamental movement skills (FMS) are the "building blocks" of movement that children need to learn to play sport.

Children **do not naturally learn** these skills therefore it is important they are taught from an early age. Parents and carers can **support** and **guide children** to learn and practise FMS through **role modelling** and **playing games** at home.

**Children won't master** these skills until they are much older, so at this age it's all about fun and enjoyment. Try to avoid overcorrecting your child's technique.

## What are the fundamental movement skills?

Fundamental movement skills include:

- Running
- Jumping
- Galloping
- Leaping
- Hopping
- Side-sliding
- Skipping

- Dribbling a ball
- Striking a ball
- Underarm rolling
- Overarm throwing
- Catching
- Kicking



Educators at this service are helping children learn the **fundamental movement skills.** 









