

**Endorsement from Former Borough
Primary PE Advisor, Howard Marshall:**

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Dear Colleague,

I am writing to confirm an important change in arrangements for primary physical education advisory support. With both international work and family commitments needing to take precedence, I have decided to leave the strategic lead of primary physical education professional development in the very capable hands of Giles Platt.

I feel that the work that he is currently undertaking puts him in an excellent position to lead the professional learning package that I set up several years ago. He has also created excellent direct working links with the Association for Physical Education (afPE) both nationally and locally and also with the DfE.

I joined Bromley in April 1986 as an advisory teacher for physical education. My role changed many times before I 'left'

in 2004. My final position was as Principal Adviser for School Improvement. Physical Education was a very minor part of my role towards the end but my passion for the importance of the subject never diminished. Many of you will have heard me say that physical education, in the hands of a good educator, has the power to transform lives and improve all learning. The more recent research into the effect that exercise has on the brain and on learning could, and should, transform the importance that school leaders associate with physical education and exercise. This is very much a message that Giles will continue to drive forward.

As mentioned, I will be continuing with some of my international and local work but feel that the time is now right to step away from the strategic lead of borough primary physical education training. I warmly endorse my successor and hope that you will utilize his services throughout the coming years.

Yours,
Howard Marshall,
Former Borough PE & Games Advisor