

School Sports Premium

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What is School Sports Premium?

The Government is continuing to provide funding of £320m for the academic year 2020/2021 to improve provision for physical education (PE) and sport in primary schools.

This funding, being provided jointly by the Departments for Education and Education and Skills Funding Agency, will be allocated directly to head teachers to spend on improving the quality of PE and school sport for all their children.

Our school will receive a lump sum of £16,000 plus an additional payment of £10 per pupil (in Years 1 and 2) for the academic year.

Last academic year (2019/20) Chapel Street Infants and Nursery School received £16,630, this school year 2020/21 we will receive £16,390.

The PE and sport premium funding must be used to make additional and sustainable improvements to the quality of physical education (PE), physical activity and sport that school offers.

This means that school should use the premium to:

- develop or add to the PE, physical activity and sport activities that your school already offers
- build capacity and capability within the school to ensure that improvements made now will benefit pupils joining the school in future years

OFSTED assesses how primary schools use the primary PE and sport premium. They measure its impact on pupil outcomes, and how effectively governors hold school leaders to account for this. OFSTED will therefore play a significant role in ensuring that schools target this funding in areas which will lead to clear outcomes in raising standards and opportunities in physical activity, PE and school sport for all children throughout the primary phase.

Purpose of the Sports Premium

Schools must spend the sport funding on improving their provision of PE and sport, but they will have the freedom to choose how best to do this.

Schools will be held to account for how they spend the sport funding. OFSTED has strengthened its coverage of sport and PE within the Inspectors' Handbook and Supporting Guidance Notes, so that schools and inspectors know how PE and sport will be assessed in future as part of the school's overall provision offered.

How will the funding enhance our PE and sport provision?

In the academic year 2019/20, the funding was spent as follows:

- In Autumn Term and most of Spring Term qualified coaches were employed to work alongside teachers in PE lessons to increase staff and pupil knowledge, skills and confidence. During Summer Term those children attending the school hub benefited from further sessions, including children from other schools. These included Multi-skills, Yoga and Dance.

- We bought in to the Dowdales Cluster Primary Sport Package which organises interschool competitions, offers 'come and try' sessions, Fun Runs, and provides Sports Leaders to deliver a variety of multi-skills sessions throughout the year.
- Unfortunately, due to the Coronavirus pandemic and resultant closure of schools to the majority of pupils from end of March through to September, no pupils had the opportunity to take part in externally organised competitions in Swimming, Mini-Olympics (Athletics) or Dance performances. Only the Gymnastics competition took place, as this was held in November prior to Lockdown.
- The funding paid entry to the Gymnastic competition.
- It funded the provision of a midday play leader, whose role was to organise and lead playground games, and thereby develop and nurture both the children's physical health and mental wellbeing during lunchtime break.
- We were able to purchase outdoor gardening equipment, plants and seeds, in order to deliver a Gardening Club offered weekly to Years 1 and 2.
- We purchased a digital teaching and assessment resource for indoor and outdoor curricular activities (iPEP).
- The provision also funded covering staff (supply) to release teachers for professional development courses in PE and sport.

The Impact of School Sports Premium

The impact and effectiveness of these initiatives and trainings continue to be assessed and evaluated.

Our aim, for the pupils of Chapel Street Infant and Nursery School, is:

- to develop or maintain healthy lifestyles by greater participation in physical activity, school sport and competitions,
- to engage in eating healthily, and adopting a healthy lifestyle food choices
- to use school sport and PE to extend their learning in other subject areas
- to participate in an increased range of sports and activities
- to receive high quality PE teaching, and
- to receive family support in understanding the importance daily physical activity in order to live healthy and active lives.

What are our plans for 2020/21?

The School Sports Premium funding will be used:

- To continue to increase the range of skills and confidence of staff teaching PE and sport, through training and support materials.
- To use physical activity to boost pupil's self-esteem and wellbeing, counteracting the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic.
- To employ qualified coaches across a variety of sports.
- To increase the numbers of children taking part in competitions, once they begin again.
- To pay for transport costs to venues.
- To provide a range of high quality indoor and outdoor equipment and resources to develop sport skills and physical activity.
- To maintain links with local schools to create joint events and competitions.
- To look into further developing the outdoor play environment and make more physically active links across the curriculum.
- To ensure that all play areas are accessible by all children.

Further Playground Improvements

The installation of a canopy, Story chair and a new artificial grass surface has improved the outdoor play area outside the Year 1 class and the relocated Reception class. This has enabled the children to continue to play outdoors safely and more frequently, whilst brightening up the playground environment. The children and staff are thoroughly enjoying exploring and developing new uses for this area.