

Evidencing the impact of the Primary PE and sport premium 2021-22

Number of pupils on roll 417

Total Sports Premium funding £20,500

In April 2013, the Government announced a new initiative for Physical Education (PE) and sport. The School Sport Premium is a fund allocated to every primary school as a legacy of the London Olympic Games. This was designed to promote a healthy lifestyle and improve the quality of PE and sport in primary schools.

Primary schools are given autonomy on the allocation of the funding to improve the quality and breadth of PE and sports provision. These areas include: increasing participation in PE and sport, developing the quality of teaching within the subject, creating an inclusive whole school ethos in encouraging all pupils to live a healthy lifestyle and achieve the performance levels they are capable of.

Documents consulted:

"Beyond 2012-outstanding physical education for all."

"Inspecting primary school PE and school sport: new funding."

Priorities for funding

Aims

To promote lifelong sporting habits and healthy lifestyles for all pupils, regardless of prior sporting ability.

To encourage the development of high-quality provision for physical activity within and beyond the curriculum.

To develop teacher confidence in developing PE or sport provision.

To extend and develop the offer of physical activity within the school.

Impact

This year a wide range of clubs, previously not offered at St Mary's, have been available to the children. Where possible these have been chosen to reflect activities which the children may be able to access outside of school using the local environment. It is hoped that this will allow children to make the connection between activities that may happen at school but will remain part of an active lifestyle as adults in the wider community. Following the success of water sports taster sessions last year, a sailing club has been offered using the services of Rockley Watersports in Poole. All places were filled and all of the children except one have signed up to take part in a schools regatta. Having been trained and suitably accredited, the Active Lifestyle Champion has run a forest club which has been fully subscribed. This uses the school grounds and equipment purchased using the sports grant has been used throughout. Having been able to access services from an external provider, clubs for cheerleading, gymnastics and parkour have also been offered. An orienteering club has been offered which has used the school grounds and referenced free to use orienteering courses in public

spaces in Poole. This has given the children to participate in orienteering events at weekends with their families. Girl's football and ball multi-sports clubs have also been offered. A dance taster session has been booked and it is intended that this will indicate the possible uptake for more dance activities next year. All of these clubs and activities have been very well attended and children who have not previously taken part in school clubs have joined them. There will be a pupil voice activity at the end of the year that ascertains the children's views on the clubs that they have attended so that these can be used to inform use of the sports grant in the next academic year. This was successful last year and identified the need for girl's football this year.

CPD has been offered to all staff in orienteering and dance with the dance session closely focused on how dance can link to different areas of the curriculum enabling teachers to plan PE lessons that naturally link with work in the foundation curriculum. All teaching staff joined in and the session was positively received with staff reporting an increase in their confidence to teach dance. Membership of local organisations has allowed the children to take part in competitive fixtures and the funding has helped to fund high quality swimming provision.

The school has been able to offer a well taught curriculum with vast majority of PS and sport being taken by the Active Lifestyle Champion. He has been able to use his previous experience as a golf pro to bring this sport into school but from a wider view, his employment has been instrumental in raising the profile of sport and lifelong physical activity across the school. The health and well-being benefits of physical movement have been particularly obvious when those children accessing morning circuits have been discussed by class teachers. They report that those children who have been asked to join in with circuits have a greater ability to focus in lessons and are more settled with a positive impact on behavior.

Summary

St Mary's Catholic Primary School has used the Sports Premium funding for this academic year to successfully enhance the provision of sport and physical activities within the curriculum and in extra-curricular activities. Consequently, our children enjoy high quality lessons with specialist teaching and are able to access a wide range of activities and clubs. Extra-curricular provision is increasingly broad and children who have previously accessed clubs are keen to do so again. As national lockdowns have relaxed, we believe that this has been keen to offering children the social, physical activities they may have enjoyed prior to the Covid-19 pandemic. CPD has been accessed which has increased teacher's confidence in delivering the PE curriculum. All of these points mean the profile of sports and other physical activities is high across the school and provides a baseline against which to measure future provision.

In future we intend to use the funding to:

- Continue to source CPD to increase teacher confidence to lead provision.
- Continue to pay for membership of sport's associations such as Poole and East Dorset School Sports Association (PEDSSA).
- Continue to subsidise the cost of swimming to KS 2 pupils.
- Continue to extend and enhance the provision of extra-curricular activities e.g. with training and equipment costs for a fencing club.
- Ensure that all children have access to specialist provision where possible.
- Use high quality provision across, and beyond, the curriculum to motivate children so that physical activity remains part of a healthy lifestyle into adulthood.