

Primary PE and Sports Premium

Background

The government has provided additional funding to Primary Schools to improve the provision of Physical Education and Sport in order to try and tackle the growing childhood obesity problem.

The funding is ring-fenced and therefore can only be spent on provision for PE and Sport in schools. Spending must lead to self-sustaining improvement in the quality of PE and Sport so that the governments' vision is achieved.

Government vision: All pupils leaving primary school will be physically literate and with the knowledge, skills and motivation necessary to equip them for a healthy, active lifestyle and lifelong participation in physical activity and sport.

This funding began at the start of the academic year 2013/14. Primary Schools received £8000 plus an additional £5 per pupil. The funding continued throughout 2014/15, 15/16 and 16/17.

2017/18 Primary PE and Sport Premium

In 2017/18 the funding was doubled so that Primary Schools received £16,000 plus an additional £10 per pupil. As in previous years, autonomy was given to individual schools on their spending to make additional and sustainable improvements to the quality of Physical Education and Sport offered. This meant that the premium should be used to:

- Develop or add to the PE and sport activities that the 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.

The government outlined 5 key indicators that schools should expect to see improvement across:

1. The engagement of all pupils in regular physical activity – the Chief Medical Officer guidelines recommend that all children and young people aged 5 to 18 engage in at least 60 minutes of physical activity a day, of which 30 should be in school.
2. The profile of PE and Sport is raised across the school as a tool for whole-school improvement.
3. Increased confidence, knowledge and skills of all staff in teaching PE and sport.
4. Broader experience of a range of sports and activities offered to all pupils
5. Increased participation in competitive sport

The Future

The increased funding has been guaranteed until 2020.

Reporting

The following reporting tool was commissioned by the Department of Education in December 2017 to evidence the impact of the Primary PE and Sport Premium spending. Fairford Primary plans to use this in the next academic year, 2018/19.