



Sport Premium at Fir Tree Primary School

What is the Primary 'Sport Premium'?

The primary 'sport premium' funding for primary schools has been designed to help schools in a variety of ways. Some of the outcomes we hope to meet through the 'sport premium' funding are:

- Increased opportunities for competitive sport
- Improved quality of teaching and learning in Primary Physical Education, including more dynamic exercise in lessons
- Improvements in the quality and breadth of PE and sporting provision, including increasing participation in PE and sport so that all pupils develop health lifestyles and reach the performance levels they are capable of

Uses at Fir Tree for the Sports Premium – Total amount £8,860

1. Subscription to the West Berkshire School Sport Network Affiliation Package 2016-2017, Serer level agreement (CORE) for Primary Schools, entitled us to:
 - a. Competitions: delivered and funded in at least 16 different sports
 - b. Continual Professional Development (CPD): on developing the PE Curriculum at Fir Tree and skills based courses in a variety of sports
 - c. Leadership Training: funded and delivered
2. Arranging and hosting different competitions and sports events at Fir Tree for local schools to come along to
3. Taking part in the Newbury District Primary Schools Football Association
4. The purchasing of a variety of sports equipment, in order to provide students with an extensive range of sporting opportunity

In 2013-2014 the funding was spent on the new Super Nova indoor hall gymnastics equipment used to improve and update our Infant and Junior Sports Day.

In 2015-2016 the funding was spent on the above areas as well as new netball posts for the playground and resources for playtimes and lunchtimes to encourage sport during the children's unstructured time. We also spent some on resources for our Olympics themed Healthy Lifestyles Week.

Impact

The sports premium money is intended to have a positive impact at our school. It increases children's experiences and opportunities and provides them with confidence and self-belief. It allows them to be ambitious and put into practice the values such as resilience and perseverance that they learn about at school. It gives the children opportunities to socialise with other children from other schools and brings them together as a community.

During the academic year 2015-2016 we systematically collected data that will eventually enable us to evaluate the school's use of the primary school sport funding. This will continue and in particular we will be aiming to demonstrate:

- The increase in participation rates in such activities as games, dance, gymnastics, swimming and athletics
- The increase and success in competitive school sports
- How much more inclusive the physical education curriculum has become
- The growth in the range of traditional and alternative sporting activities
- The improvement in partnership work on physical education with other schools and other local partners
- Links with other subjects that contribute to pupils' overall achievement and their greater social, spiritual, moral and cultural skills
- A greater awareness amongst pupils about the dangers of obesity, smoking and other such activities that undermine pupils' health

Initial findings:

- During the academic year 2013-2014 the premium funding was predominantly used for new sports equipment, which included 'wall bars' for the school hall. Fir Tree also participated in several sporting events, which included a 6-a-side football tournament in association with the Thames Valley Police force.
- In the school year of 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 we have participated in over 30 events funded by the Sports Premium.
- We have participated in many different sports, including:
 - Football
 - Curling
 - Boccia
 - Archery
 - Volleyball
 - Bowling
 - Tag Rugby
 - Athletics
 - Dodgeball
 - Orienteering
 - Cross Country
 - Cricket
 - Quadkids
 - Swimming
 - Paralympics Sport Festival
 - Multi Skills Festival
- In 2015-2016 we have hosted 13 home football matches against 9 different schools, which has seen in excess of 60 different pupils take part. We have also participated in a total of 12 Newbury District Primary

Schools Football Association and West Berkshire Schools Sport Network competitions. Our Year 3 and 4 girls team were competition champions on two occasions this season, and our Year 3 and 4 boys were NDFSPA 'Team of the Tournament Winners.'

- We also held our annual Inter-Primary X-Country event in October. Our Upper Junior girls team were champions. As a school, we were placed 3rd overall.
- Students in Year 5 and 6 who had displayed outstanding effort and behaviour were rewarded with an opportunity to take part in a Paralympic Sports competition at Park House. The children learned games such as boccia, curling, seated volleyball and archery. Our pupils were taught the Paralympic values as tools for learning. We were crowned silver medallists.
- Our Year 1 and 2 children took part in 10 pin bowling at Lakeside Superbowl and were overall winners out of 16 schools. Our Year 5 and 6 football team were runners up to Birch Corpse in the NDPSFA Boys 6-a-side final, narrowly beaten 15-14 on penalties.
- Our Year 5 and 6 rugby team were selected to represent West Berkshire at the Sainsbury's School Games competition at Bisham Abbey. This year's selection process was based upon schools that were emerging and progressing in sport.
- A planned off-timetable Healthy Lifestyles week was a huge success with achievements ranging from Yoga lessons to making fruit smoothies and designing Rio Olympic mascots.
- A total of 121 attendances at sports events so far, involving 91 pupils, 29 of whom (32%) are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding.
- Finally, our efforts in PE and clubs, where we have focussed on teamwork and confidence, played a huge part in our success.

Going Forward:

- We have just as many Sport Premium funded events already planned for this academic year covering a wide range of activities, as well as other competitions that will be arranged in due course.
- New gymnastics equipment including crash mats
- Gymnastics training
- A Trim Trial for the field
- There are also Gifted and Talented at Trinity School for Years 4 and 6
- Another successful Health Lifestyles Week
- The school football team will soon be sporting their new kit and training jackets

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