

Sports Premium at St Mary's Catholic Primary School

What is Sports Premium?

The Government is providing funding to schools to spend on improving the quality of sport and PE for all children. Sport funding can only be spent on sport and PE provision in schools.

Purpose of the funding

School has to spend the sport funding on improving its provision of PE and sport, but we will have the freedom to choose how we do this. Possible uses for the funding include: hiring specialist PE teachers or qualified sports coaches to work alongside teachers to improve knowledge, paying for professional development opportunities for sport, running sport competitions, or increasing participation in the school games, purchasing sports resources and equipment, providing places for pupils on after school sport clubs.

How this funding is being used at St. Mary's

At St Mary's we feel it is important to encourage pupils to lead healthy and active life styles. In 2015/16, the school was allocated **£8,148** in Sports Premium Funding. The funding was spent on directly increasing participation in sport and extending sporting opportunities by;

- Ensuring the sustainability of whole school swimming lessons.
- Benefiting from our school partnership sports package with Garstang Community Academy and Fleetwood Town FC.
- Providing places for all pupils at after school sport clubs many led by qualified coaches/external providers.
- Providing opportunities for children to compete (i.e. in tournaments and fixtures between the local primary schools).
- Continued professional development (CPD) and curriculum delivery support.
- The purchase of sporting equipment and resources.

Impact and Outcomes

- St Mary's monitors both the physical development and engagement levels of pupils through observation and assessment.
- The school offered a wide variety of after school sports clubs from Reception through to Year 6 and saw attendances rise from 79% in September 2015 to 94% by January 2016.
- St Mary's competed in all of the wide range of small school competitions on offer and entered additional tournaments with local schools.
- St Mary's has been extremely successful during the year in the competitions and results have been shared via the school newsletter.
- Staff are becoming increasingly confident in delivering aspects of the PE curriculum due to observing a specialist delivering series of sessions.
- Children have a greater confidence in water due to year round whole school swimming sessions

2016/17

In 2016/17 the school has an estimated amount of £8190 of Sports Premium Funding. The money will continued to be spent on securing excellent sports opportunities for all, through

- The School Sports Partnerships.
- Fleetwood Football Club.
- Specialist Gymnastic teacher throughout the year for all classes.
- Continuing our commitment to whole school swimming lessons.

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