

Primary School's Sports Funding (September 2022)

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What is the Sports Premium?

The Government has provided funding of £150 million per annum for schools since the academic year 2013/14 to provide new, substantial primary school sport funding. This funding is being jointly provided by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport, and will see money going directly to primary school headteachers to spend on improving the quality of sport and PE for all their children.

The sport funding can only be spent on sport and PE provision in schools.

Purpose of funding

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

Possible uses for the funding include:

- hiring specialist PE teachers or qualified sports coaches to work alongside primary teachers when teaching PE
- new or additional Change4Life sport clubs
- paying for professional development opportunities in PE/sport
- providing cover to release primary teachers for professional development in PE/sport
- running sport competitions, or increasing participation in the school games
- buying quality assured professional development modules or materials for PE/sport
- providing places for pupils on after school sport clubs and holiday clubs.

How will we be spending the Sports Funding and who will benefit?

At Beever Primary School, we received £17,760 in Sports funding per year (April 2022-March 2023)

The Governors agreed that the money must be used so that:

- all children benefit regardless of sporting ability;
- children (& parents) are given the opportunity to make more informed healthier lifestyle choices:
- that staff have access to training opportunities and continued professional development;

The Governing Body of Beever has always been keen to emphasise the importance of physical exercise and healthy lifestyles. The funding received via the Sports Premium grant doesn't cover all the aspects we already deliver, but we have used these funds to offset some of the expenditure already committed, whilst also looking at additional strategies to ensure the message is heard and impacts upon more families than previously.

SPORT PREMIUM: Intention to spend 2022-23

The information below shows how we intend to spend the sports funding during 2022-2023.

The total funding for 2022-23 is £17,760. We have a number of strategies in place to utilise this funding for the present academic year. Some of these are listed below:

Hiring a specialist PE coach: (approx.£12540 per annum)

In partnership with Dream Big Sports, we have commissioned the services of an PE coach to work in school for one day, two afternoons and three after school sessions each week.

The PE coach will deliver PE lessons alongside our staff including: invasion games, gymnastics, dance and striking & fielding games. The PE coach supports children across the whole school.

Not only will the children benefit from being taught by a specialist, but our own staff will be developing skills through sharing good practice and assisting in the PE lessons.

The PE coach will also support after school activities and competitions, encourage links with existing local clubs and be able to advise, signpost and offer guidance to our pupils on possible routes for increased sporting participation.

Sport premium funding will also be used in this instance for our PE subject leader to meet with the PE coach each half term to review progress and plan our next steps.

Dream Big Sports Competitions: (approx. £1800)

We wish to extend the activities and competitions the children participated in last year, giving more children the opportunity to compete against other schools and develop their skills in a range of different sporting activities.

Sports Premium funding will be used to for the subscription to join these events and also support the cost of travel to matches for all the after-school clubs who are involved in competitions- either Dream Big Sports events or Local Authority held activities and matches.

Top up Swimming lessons: (approx. £1200)

The previous academic year was significantly disrupted by the pandemic and therefore our current Year 5 cohort did not receive the same opportunities to access swimming lessons as previous cohorts. In order to address this, we will be purchasing additional swimming lessons in the summer term (when there is greater capacity at the swimming baths) to provide additional opportunities for the current Year 5 children who did not reach the standards thresholds for swimming (eg, swim 25 metres competently using a range of strokes and perform self-rescues) and those children currently in Year 6 who failed to achieve these thresholds during their times attending swimming lessons.

New PE equipment: (approx. £500)

The Sport premium funding will be used to replace and update some of our older, tired sports equipment. Items to be replaced will be mats, climbing apparatus and other smaller resources which will be used to support active playgrounds and after school clubs.

Encourage children to become more active in their lifestyle choices

We run numerous after school clubs- many are linked to the theme of healthier lifestyles (egg. Cookery sessions and other more physical type activities). These activities will often be undertaken within PSCHE lessons, but we will also build opportunities within the school year where we can help support the children in their knowledge and understanding of what a healthy lifestyle looks like.

Bikeability

Once again, we will be using Bikeability sessions in school. This is a programme that doesn't currently cost the school (except in time and resources to ensure its running) but is an example of how we like to target children with provision that has a positive impact on their daily life.

Children in Upper Key Stage 2 will be targeted with Cycle training to ensure they are safe whilst riding their bikes. There are three Bikeability levels, with each level designed to help improve their cycling skills, no matter what they know already. Levels 1, 2 and 3 take trainees on a journey from the basics of balance and control, all the way through to planning and making a journey by themselves on busier roads.

Children typically start Bikeability lessons once they have learnt to ride a bike. Level 1 will help new riders to control their bike before they move on to developing on-road skills at Level 2. Level 2 is usually tackled by children in Years 5 or 6, before they leave primary school. Level 3 teaches trainees how to ride in different and more challenging traffic situations, and is usually completed by children of secondary school age.

Cookery club: approx. (£500)

We will be running this popular club during this academic year. We will continue to raise awareness around healthy eating choices while each week producing a finished dish. Sport premium funding will be used to support the cost of ingredients for these clubs.

Extra-curricular clubs: approx (£1500)

This will be the first year since 2019 that we won't have started in September with covid restrictions in place. As a result we aim to offer more after-school clubs and ensure that more children across the school have the opportunity to take part in a range of different physical activities. Clubs planned for the Autumn term include Basketball, Invasion Games and Football. These will be supplement as the year progresses. In previous years we have offered opportunities in Dodgeball, Athletics, Archery, Cheerleading, Yoga, Creative Dance and Cross Country.

The clubs above will be subsidised by school via use of the Sports Premium.

How will the Impact be measured?

Impact is measured by:

- the number of children attending each club
- the number of children participating in events and competitions
- the number of children taking up regular out of school activity (eg dance, football, netball, etc)

The information below shows how we spent the sports funding during 2020-2021.

Hiring a specialist PE coach

In partnership with Dream Big Sports, we bought into the services of a Specialist PE coach to work in school.

The coach delivered PE lessons alongside our staff including: invasion games, gymnastics, dance and striking & fielding games. The coach supported children across the whole school.

The children benefitted from being taught by a specialist, and additionally our own school staff developed skills through sharing good practice and assisting in the PE lessons.

The coach also supported after school activities, encouraged links with existing local clubs and was able to advise, signpost and offer guidance to our pupils on possible routes for increased sporting participation.

Bikeability

Bikeability is a programme that doesn't currently cost the school (except in time and resources to ensure its running) but is an example of how we like to target children with provision that has a positive impact on their daily life. We normally run this programme in the Autumn term, but due to covid restrictions we moved this training back to the summer term in our last academic year.

Children in Upper Key Stage 2 were targeted with cycle training to ensure they are safe while riding their bikes. There are three Bikeability levels, with each level designed to help improve their cycling skills, no matter what they know already. Levels 1, 2 and 3 take trainees on a journey from the basics of balance and control, all the way through to planning and making a journey by themselves on busier roads.

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Extra-curricular clubs

Dodgeball, Athletics and Football

The clubs above are subsidised by school. These clubs are run by fully qualified coaches and supported the children's skill development.

After school clubs such as netball, multisports, cheerleading, Yoga and cross country have also been held previously and benefitted from resources purchased with Sports Premium funding.

PE resources

We took the opportunity during the course of the year to invest in new PE equipment, replacing tired resources such as PE mats and ensuring that the equipment we use for physical activities in school is fit for purpose.

Top-up swimming lessons.

During the Summer term, we provided additional provision to ensure those children in the Year 6 cohort who had not managed to achieve the national curriculum expectation, could access further lessons to develop their skills further. This was successful, with two of the four children who had not reached those expectations being able to reach that

standard in the sessions they attended.

'Healthy Me' project:

Each term during the academic year, we promoted a different healthy lifestyles' message. Assemblies were led by the pastoral leader with senior school leaders and learning challenges were distributed for the children to complete at home. The themes covered were, 'Be food smart', 'The Big Brush' (dental hygiene), 'Drink More Water', 'What's on Your Plate?', 'Breakfast & Snacking' and '5 a day'.

The Daily Mile

We invested heavily in developing a brand new Daily Mile all weather track on the school field during the school year. The funding for this was sourced from outside the Sports Premium, but we did use some of the funding to purchase signage which supported our healthy lifestyles messages to encourage the children in their daily exercise and other related health benefits. This resource is used to support the children's physical and mental health and be utilised for after school clubs such as cross country.

Participation in Dream Big Sports competitions and other School Sports.

In the second half of the school year, we participated in a small number of different sporting competitions and offered opportunities across the school for children to compete against other schools. These competitions centred around athletics and gave opportunities for children from Year 3 to Year 6 to compete against children from other schools.

Children in year 3 and Year 4 were also given the opportunity to compete in the Oldham Schools Water Polo competition held at Oldham Swimming Baths.

What were the outcomes?

Unfortunately, some outcomes from the year were limited due to the ongoing covid restrictions in the first part of the year.

- 1. We are still trying to develop links with local sports clubs to provide children with sustainable provision in their chosen activity- this is an area we need to continue to try and improve.
- 2. Children who took part in the Bikeability programme all achieved either the Level 1 and Level 2 standard.

Statutory information regarding Swimming.

Each year schools are required to publish how many pupils within their current year 6 cohort are meeting or have met the national curriculum requirement to "swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres, use a range of strokes effectively and perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations"

At Beever, children in Year 3 and Year 4 attend swimming lessons throughout the year, developing their skills in the water. The current Year 6 cohort undertook swimming lessons with the school in the academic years 2019-20 and 2020-21.

Of the present Year 6 children of which there are 30, 25 children have fulfilled the national requirements highlighted above. Four children failed to meet those requirements, while the remaining child was new to the school and we didn't have any data to show whether they have met the requirements or not.

We will give these children the opportunity to achieve the national curriculum requirement via top-up' swimming lessons in the Summer term.