

Rivermead Primary School

PE and Sports Premium Statement 2023/24

This document reviews the spending and impact of the PE & Sports Premium Grant for 2022/23 academic year.

Rivermead Primary School understands and values the importance of physical activity and sport. The children are encouraged to undertake a range of sports and activities both within the Physical Education (PE) curriculum and also in extra-curricular activities.

Premium Sports Funding

The Government is providing funding 'PE & Sports Premium' of £150 million per annum 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 schools 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.

In the academic year we received £19,597. At Rivermead the School Leadership Team and Governors spent the grant on the following to support PE & Sport:

Resources:

Due to COVID-19, sports competitions and inter-school sporting opportunities have not been possible. Rivermead has been an active partner in the Wokingham area in entering, hosting and organising events prior to COVID, and have begun to re-instating many of the competitions over the past 2 years. This will continue to be a focus in 2023/24, providing children across the school the opportunity to represent the school.

The school has continued the focus on spending of the grant to improve the quality of provision of PE across the school. This has involved purchasing a new PE scheme in 2021/22, with training for staff through development & training days for the PE leader, staff training sessions and PE showcase days for each year group. The school has continued to purchasing development days and PE showcase sessions to support teachers in delivering quality PE lessons. The school has also has also used the grant to purchase equipment to support the delivery of the scheme and support the teaching staff in lessons. Over the past year we have had:

- Training sessions for staff: 3
- Showcase days: 3
- PE leader training sessions: 1

This approach has seen a positive in the impact on the quality of lessons taught by the teaching staff.

The Funding was used to be support the delivery of PE in specific year groups e.g. swimming in Year 5. It has also been used to introduce a sport to EYFS children. With any additional support to the curriculum through external agencies, class teachers are part of the lesson, developing & improving their practice.

The school has supported vulnerable and Pupil premium children through the sports grant, funding a after school sports club run by an external agency to allow them an experience and opportunity they would not normally and in various ways to purchase new equipment, resources and sports kits across the school, and improve the quality of sport/PE provision:

- New equipment for EYFS, KS1 and KS2 to enhance the learning & teaching of PE: £1237
- Create Development – includes: Real PE scheme, PE leader training, staff training, showcase days: £2,495
- Purchase of equipment (new trolley with mats for gymnastics, bibs, hoops, basketballs, netballs, footballs, tennis balls): £2,847

- Funding for PP & vulnerable children to attend a sporting club afterschool: £500 per term - £1,500
- Year 5 swimming lessons: £1,937
- Swimming transport: £1,800
- 'Didi-rugby' sessions for 60 EYFS children – 19 sessions: £1,710
- Transport to sports events: £1,515
- Cups, medals, stickers for sports days and competitions: £150

Qualified Sports Coaches:

The school has hired the services of First for Sport, a coaching company who already deliver some of our after school clubs, to deliver PE lessons alongside our staff in Year 1 including: invasion games, dance, and striking and fielding games.

To find out more about First for Sport visit: <http://www.newfirstforsports.co.uk/index.htm>

The cost of using First for Sport coaching across the school: £7,709

Swimming

Year 5 take part in a 10 week swimming programme at Academy Sport during the spring term. Four qualified coaches are provided, with the children divided into 3 attainment groups. The aim by the end of the programme is the children are able swim 25 metres independently. The children are transported to and from the venue by coach. The school paid £3,737 from the PE & Sports Funding, with the parents paying the remaining amount, £15.50 through a voluntary contribution.

54 out of the 64 children were able to complete the 25 metres swim independently by the end of the programme.

Providing places for pupils for after school sport club

The school pre-COVID offered a range of lunchtime and after school clubs, accessed by children from Key Stages One and Two. These clubs have come back into school life over the past academic year, with a significant increase in clubs in the summer term. Since the introduction of the Sports Funding in September 2013, we have been using part of the funding to help subsidise externally run clubs to enabling more children, especially the more vulnerable pupils, to access clubs which incur a cost.

In the past twelve months (academic year 2022-23) the following range of sporting clubs were on offer to children within the school:

Tag Rugby, Cricket, Football, Judo, Multi-skills, Gymnastics, Freestyle Gymnastics, Street-dance, Cheerleading, Relax Kids and Running Club.

The number of children in various sports clubs for academic year 2021.22:

- Autumn: 146 children attended sports clubs
- Spring: 152 children attended sports clubs
- Summer: 161 children attended sports clubs

Target for the academic year 2023.24 the school is wanting to increase the number of children attending clubs to:

Woodley Sports Week: 245 children participated

After school clubs: 250 children participate

School Sport Events & Competitions

Rivermead is entering and competing at more sporting events allowing children in all Year groups to access a form of competitive sport against other schools. We feel it is important to provide opportunities for the children to train weekly and then compete against other schools. Funding was used to supply additional equipment/resources and to pay for transport to and from sporting events and activities that were not held at Rivermead Primary School.

The cost of providing school sporting opportunities (equipment, resources, transport): £1,515

Opportunities have included:

Woodley Cluster games:

- Year 1/2 Dance Festival Year 1 Multi-skills Festival Year 2 Aqua splash/Goals
- Year 3 Paralympic Festival Year 4 Athletic activities/Diamond cricket/Tennis
- Year 5 Dance festival Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket Year 5/6 Swimming gala

Football:

- Year 3/4 Boys & Girls teams competition – Woodley Cluster competition
- Year 5/6 Boys & Girls teams competition – Woodley Cluster competition
- Year 5/6 Mixed team - Wokingham Football League

Tag Rugby:

- Year 3/4 Mixed team – Woodley Cluster competition
- Year 5/6 Mixed team – ‘6 Nations’ Reading/Wokingham schools – Autumn term
- Year 5/6 Girls team - Wokingham/Reading league – Autumn term

Cricket

- Year 5/6 boys & girls team – Woodley Cluster competition/festival – Boys & Girls

Impact:

The quality of the teaching of PE has risen through the expertise of having specialist coaching within PE lessons.

Teaching staff have benefitted from accessing materials (planning, resources, and teaching ideas) to ensure their own teaching of PE has improved, engaging and motivating pupils through the PE curriculum.

More clubs have been provided, through sourcing external agencies, which has supported the school in promoting a ‘Healthy Lifestyle’ with the children.

The school has entered more competitions, and have taken time to provide weekly coaching sessions either afterschool or at lunchtimes. This has developed the values of sport – teamwork, cooperation, support, respect, fair play, and determination. The children are proud to represent their school and has given many a sense of belonging and achievement. The school has enjoyed a successful year competing, especially with Tag Rugby and Football.