

Sports Funding

What is the Sports Funding?

After the 2012 Olympics the government committed to providing additional funding to 2015 to improve sports provision (PE) primary schools. This funding is provided jointly by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport and is allocated to all primary schools.

Each school will receive a lump sum of approximately £8,885 over two years. The funding is only to be spent on sport and will go directly to the school, where the Head, teachers and governors will decide what is best for their children's needs. This could vary from specialist coaching, teacher training to after-school clubs. Schools will be held to account for how they spend the money via Ofsted in order to ensure the funding is bringing the maximum benefit for all pupils.

Sports Funding – How it works at Purston Infant School

At Purston Infant School our philosophy is to give all children 'the best start' through a nurturing environment. We have high aspirations for all children and endeavour to provide a broad and balanced curriculum which includes quality PE. We are pleased to receive the extra funding and will allocate the funding effectively so that children are given every opportunity to participate in a range of sports activities in school. The tables below show the sports funding allocation for the year and how we intend to apportion the money.

Funding overview 2015-16	
Total amount of Sports Funding	£8,439
Breakdown of expenditure 2015-16	
	Cost
Continue to employ a sports coach to work with all full time children from UFS-Year 2, providing weekly sessions on athletics, tennis, football, team games, rounders and rugby skills.	39 weeks x 5.5hrs £4,290
Purchase/maintain KS1 equipment to promote physical development and co-ordination skills.	£400
Purchase resources to support after school clubs focused on active sports and games, including the introduction of 'bootcamp'. Staffing costs.	£900
Participation and management of school/local sporting events. (Kwick cricket, Gala sports day, Inter school athletics) Staffing costs	£550
Purchase further outdoor equipment for playtimes and lunchtimes to promote physical activity.	£600
Purchase and maintain/replenish physical equipment for Foundation Stage to promote physical development and co-ordination.	£1700
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<p>If you have any doubts about value for money, come and watch our sports coach in action! His sessions are fun, interactive and educational. The feedback from the children is excellent and they look forward to his sessions.</p> <p>Physical activity is a priority and the benefits are clear, not only is it integral to all other areas of learning it offers children the opportunity to develop sportsmanship through competing. They learn perseverance, determination and experience success and the ability to shine.</p>	

Teachers and support staff are up-skilled as a result of working alongside the coach, impacting on other aspects of PE throughout school.

Outcomes overall for all children have improved. The inclusion of Upper Foundation in coached sessions has improved their physical development, one of the Prime areas of learning. The percentage of children reaching an expected level or above in this aspect is the second highest of all other aspects and is in line with the National.

Behaviour logs suggest that playtimes and lunchtimes are calmer, with less incidents of behaviour as children are engaged more in active sports and games.

The sports and active after school clubs are becoming more popular than the passive clubs.

Breakdown of expenditure 2016-17	Cost
Continue to employ a sports coach to work with all full time children from UFS-Year 2, providing weekly sessions on athletics, tennis, football, team games, rounders and rugby skills.	£4,190
Teaching staff to shadow Sports Coach to further enhance repertoire of activities offered. HLTA's to cover 8 teaching staff throughout the academic year.	£2000
Purchase resources to support PE sessions and after school clubs focused on active sports and team games.	£500
Purchase further physical equipment for Foundation Stage to promote physical development .	£300
Purchase sports equipment to be used during playtimes and Lunchtimes. Replenish throughout the year.	£500
Playground markings on KS1 playground to encourage traditional games	£1000