

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.

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 2020-21		
Total amount of Sports Funding	£16,953	
Breakdown of expenditure 2020-21	Estimate	Actual spend
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. Continue to employ at lunchtime 2 days a week for sporting activities enhancing lunchtime play. Recommence free After School Club for targeted children on Mondays and Tuesdays	35 weeks x 9hrs £7000	£6600
Book Forest school days to improve children's engagement with outdoor physical activities, developing confidence and self-esteem as well as provide staff training to become sustainable	£150 per day x 38 weeks £5700	£3320
Purchase medals and stickers to encourage participation and competitiveness in sports day.	£210	0
Purchase MUGA equipment to be placed around school for all weather usage.	£5,000	c\ f as not completed
	Total £ 17,910	£9,920 c\ f £7033 to 21/22

Impact	
<p>The sports coaching sessions have had an outstanding impact on the children’s learning and development of PE. The sport coach continues to build a positive rapport with all children from UFS to Year 2. Teachers have the opportunity to work alongside Luke to develop their teaching of PE carrying the skills through to their second PE sessions later in the week. This is proving successful and teachers are equipped with the knowledge and skills to confidently teach a variety of games and other sports</p> <p>Weekly Forest School sessions have been a success with children, parents and staff. Teachers have worked closely with the forest school leader to ensure outdoor learning has linked to Topics and the curriculum. Science has been a focus, children have learnt about habitats, and then had a go at making their very own microhabitat for a creature. Art skills combined with imagination created ‘masterpieces!’ All children have been involved Forest Schools, from LFS to Year 2.</p> <p>Further MUGA equipment was ordered for the playground following the children asking for more equipment to use at break times and lunchtimes. They chose which equipment they used the most for the new equipment. This promotes keeping active during playtimes and dinner times. Children are always keen to access the apparatus. The equipment is robust and is easy to clean. Children are much more active during their time outside. Having safe and correct equipment enables inclusivity where in which children have the chance to exercise and enjoy.</p> <p>In addition, we have had more community involvement by inviting Featherstone Rovers into school to teach early rugby to KS1. These sessions run by Paul March have been fun and active. Children have learned new ball skills, and teachers have learnt how to teach rugby to young children. Due to the success of the sessions, we will be inviting Paul March to complete sessions again this year.</p> <p>Awarding the medals stickers and certificates to children following sessions motivates and encourages them to participate and have a go. It celebrates their enthusiasm and determination and as a result builds their confidence to keep trying</p>	