

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary PE & Sports Premium

Background Information

The former Coalition Government initiated additional funding of £150 million per annum for academic years 2013 to 2016, to improve the provision of Physical Education (PE) and Sport within state primary schools nationwide. This funding - provided jointly by the Departments for Education as well as Health and Culture, Media and Sport - has been and continues to be apportioned directly to schools.

Mandatory guidelines issued state that schools are fully accountable for how the ring-fenced Premium funding is spent however they are free to choose which areas of subject development they deem to be most important and far-reaching for expenditure. The School embraces the Vision Statement as produced by Department for Education:

'ALL pupils leaving primary school physically literate and with the knowledge, skills and motivation necessary to equip them for a healthy, active lifestyle and lifelong participation in physical activity and sport'

The funding has been provided to ensure impact against the following objective:

'To achieve self-sustaining improvement in the quality of PE and sport in primary schools'

The school therefore focuses its spending to ensure that long lasting impact, tied to the DfE vision statement, will live on well beyond the Primary PE and Sport Premium funding. The school therefore prioritises its planning and spending to ensure that it accommodates the following five prescribed indicators:

1. the engagement of all pupils in regular physical activity - kick-starting healthy active lifestyles
2. the profile of PE and sport being raised across the school as a tool for whole school improvement
3. increased confidence, knowledge and skills of all staff in teaching PE and sport
4. broader experience of a range of sports and activities offered to all pupils
5. increased participation in competitive sport

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