

Atwood Primary School

PE Sports Funding

Period: 2024 - 2025



Overview

At Atwood Primary School we were awarded £19,540 in the academic year of 2024/2025.

Planned Use of Sports Premium Funding

Primary School Sports Funding will continue to play a vital role in enhancing the quality, inclusivity, and breadth of our physical education and sports provision at Atwood Primary School. The planned allocation of funding for the coming year will focus on the following key areas:

Specialist Coaching and Enrichment Opportunities

We will engage specialist sports providers to deliver high-quality coaching in a broader range of sporting activities. This will:

- Offer pupils the chance to develop specific skills across multiple sports.
- Improve overall fitness levels.
- Deepen pupils' understanding of the role of physical activity in maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Increasing Participation in Competitive Sport

Atwood will continue to raise participation levels in inter-school competitions and borough-wide tournaments, including swimming galas and other team events. Funding will support transport, entry fees, and staffing required to enable access for all pupils.

A particular focus will remain on increasing opportunities for girls to take part in both school-based and community sporting events, helping to ensure gender parity in sports participation.

Equipment and Resources

New equipment and resources will be purchased to ensure all pupils have the opportunity to fully participate in these expanded sports programmes.

Swimming and Water Safety Provision

To support the statutory swimming and water safety requirements, the school will allocate funding to provide additional swimming lessons for Year 6 pupils who have not yet met the national curriculum standards. This intervention aims to ensure that all pupils leave primary school with essential life-saving skills and water confidence.

Professional Development and Strategic Leadership

The funding will also enable the PE Coordinator to attend termly subject network meetings. These sessions are instrumental in:

- Gaining current best practice on teaching, assessment, and curriculum planning in PE.
- Improving the monitoring and evaluation of pupil outcomes and teaching quality.
- Strengthening partnerships with local schools and sporting organisations through collaboration and shared opportunities.

Evaluation of Impact - Primary School Sport Funding Impact

The implementation of the Primary School Sport Funding has been evaluated with a focus on its outcomes for pupils' physical health, engagement, and overall well-being. The following outlines the key areas of impact:

1. Expansion of Sporting Opportunities

This year, a primary objective has been to broaden the range of sports available at Atwood Primary School. Pupils from both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 participated in a variety of borough-wide competitions, including:

- Croydon Cross Country (KS1 & KS2)
- Croydon Athletics Tournament
- Croydon Swimming Gala (January)
- Croydon League Football (Boys' and Girls' teams)
- Netball League

Participation in these competitive events has resulted in a marked increase in pupil involvement in sports, fostering a more positive attitude toward physical activity. Additionally, these events have strengthened community engagement, with parents and families regularly attending to support pupils.

2. Promoting Girls' Participation in Sport

A portion of the funding was allocated to initiatives aimed at increasing girls' engagement in physical activity. These included:

- Lunchtime girls' football coaching sessions
- Participation in the Lanfranc Girls' Football Tournament
- Extra-curricular clubs in yoga, dance, football, and netball

These initiatives have contributed to higher levels of girls' participation and confidence in sport.

3. Investment in Equipment and Facilities

The school has invested in new PE equipment to support both curriculum delivery and after-school clubs. This investment has enabled pupils to access a wider range of sports and develop new physical skills in a well-resourced environment.

4. Inclusive Extra-Curricular Provision

Our Extended Services Leader continues to coordinate a diverse programme of alternative sports and after-school clubs, including dodgeball, basketball, tennis, dance, football, and badminton. These clubs are accessible to pupils of all abilities, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities, as well as those eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant.

To further support safeguarding and staff development, teaching assistants (TAs) have been introduced into extra-curricular sessions. This has enabled TAs to acquire new skills while enhancing the supervision and quality of provision.

5. Swimming Competency - Year 6 Outcomes

- Pupils able to use a range of strokes effectively 83%
- Pupils able to perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations 71%
- Percentage of Year 6 pupils able to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres - 83%

Total spend for internal category

School based extra-curricular opportunities £15,397.00

Internal sports competitions £150.00

Top-up swimming lessons or broadening aquatic opportunities for pupils £1,320.00

Equipment & resources £1,528.00

Membership fees £260.00

Use of educational platforms and resources £216

Total spend £18,871.00

CPD category spend £600

External category spend - £10,737.00

Total spent of PE and sports premium for academic year 2024 to 2025 £30,208.00

Next academic year 2025 -2026

For this academic year we will continue using the funding to improve the quality and breadth of PE and sport provision, including increasing participation. Specifically, it will be allocated to work towards our on-going aims as stated above.