



Cypress Primary School

PE Sports Funding

Period: 2022/23



Overview

At Cypress Primary School we have been awarded **£20,680** in the academic year of 2022/2023. This funding has allowed us to improve the quality and breadth of PE and sport provision, including increasing participation. The funding – provided jointly by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport – has been allocated to primary school headteachers.

Specifically it will be allocated to work towards our aims of:

- Increased participation in competitive sports and inter-school tournaments;
- Increased opportunity for children who demonstrate ability in sports to access better coaching;
- Improved resources and facilities for PE and School Sport;
- Improved PE teaching through the development of teachers and other providers;
- Improved enjoyment in sport and increased uptake of sporting opportunities.

At Cypress Primary School our primary focus for the sports funding will be on the professional development of all staff. Teachers and teaching assistants will have the opportunity to enhance their professional knowledge and understanding, based on self-assessment, in specific areas of the PE curriculum, such as gymnastics and cricket as well as dance.

Funding will enable our PE Lead to attend subject network meetings which provide advice on how to best monitor and evaluate the quality of teaching, outcomes for pupils and the impact of the PESSCL strategy. The network meetings also create the opportunity to forge links in the local community and cluster of schools.

At Cypress we have continued to improve participation in competitive sports and inter-school tournaments, we have purchased a new mini bus to assist us in participating in a range of events in the local community.

The funding will allow us to fund specialist providers, giving opportunities for children to develop skills in a wider range of sports, improve their fitness levels and develop a better understanding of the importance of physical activity as part of a healthy lifestyle. We will purchase new equipment and resources to allow pupils to access these sports.

Expenditure (approximate):

£1,260	Competitions/tournaments/football
£1,239	PE Equipment
£4,500	Lunchtime support sports coaches
£2,938	Extended school activities - TA support/safeguarding
£561	Playdowns safety check equipment
£2,500	Specialised PE expert to upskill staff and contribute to whole school improvement
£920	CPD Dance & Cricket
£4,720	Trim Trail & Adventure Playground

£18,638 TOTAL for this financial year

Summary of impact

The impact of the new primary school sport funding on pupils' lifestyles and physical well-being has been evaluated on these factors:

This year we have continued to fund a specialised PE expert to upskill staff and contribute to whole school improvement. In autumn/spring the PE expert's role has been to work alongside the ECTs at Cypress to further their skills and knowledge. As well as mentoring the PE working group (PWG) and to develop them as 'in house' experts able to work alongside those less confident in PE. As well as this we have used specialist outside providers to focus on CPD in dance and cricket as these were two areas that teachers wanted more in depth knowledge and gain more confidence to deliver sessions at a high standard.

We have continued to fund sports coaches in KS2 to co-ordinate and implement team games, this has meant that more children are accessing more physical activity throughout playtimes and lunch times and this is supporting health and fitness as well as behaviour.

The school has invested in a range of new PE equipment for the curriculum and activity clubs, this has meant that children have a variety of equipment to improve their skills and have access to a range of new sports activity clubs.

Our Extended Services Leader organises an extensive range of alternative sports and after school clubs, this has enabled pupils of all abilities and interests to participate. The sports activities are designed to aid social and physical development and fitness within an enjoyable sporting environment. These range from forest club, ballet, croquet, badminton to football and gymnastics. Regular after school sessions strengthen the achievement and enjoyment of all pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities and pupils who are eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant.

We have additionally funded TA support for all activity clubs, this has meant that TA confidence and skills have improved when implementing games at lunch/break times but also this has enhanced our safeguarding procedures.

At Cypress we entered a range of competitions and tournaments this year which included girls' and boys' football teams, cricket, athletics, cross-country, golf and competed in the basketball tournament. These competitions have led to increased pupil participation which has elevated a positive attitude towards sport and being active. It has also had an impact of greater community engagement with parents and families coming together to watch these sporting events.

Percentage meeting the national curriculum requirement to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres, use a range of strokes effectively and perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations: 52%

Next academic year 2023-24

For next 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.