

Sports Premium Impact 2020/2021

The sports premium funding has enabled our children to attend and participate in a greater number of festivals and tournaments that are held in various locations in the area. Aside from the obvious physical benefits of training for and participating in such events they also give our children the opportunity to interact with children from other schools – a great benefit for all children from small schools as they are able to get to know each other prior to their transition to secondary school.

All staff have benefitted from the opportunity to work alongside PE specialists to deliver high quality PE provision and to further strengthen the school's self-sufficiency in planning for and delivering this in the future. This has been particularly beneficial for our NQT whose target for her 3rd assessment period was to develop her understanding and delivery of PE. Staff have also been able to access bespoke, high-quality CPD delivered by specialists such as the Sedgefield Sports partnership who trained staff to deliver and maintain the Fit For Life programme. We were also able to purchase equipment and other resources to maximise the potential of the programme.

Sports Premium has also allowed us to run and purchase equipment for Play Leaders Programme which is run by pupils in conjunction with our HLTA during break and lunchtimes. This offers all children to participate in activities including: Obstacle Course, Football, Playground Games, Dance Club, Parachute Games and Den Building. The funding has helped purchase equipment for this including: crates, boom box, tyres, hoops, skipping ropes, parachute, bean bags, cones and wobble boards. All children have participated in various combinations of these activities giving them ideas and focus on how best to utilise their time during breaks and outside.

Starting from Summer term 2020, Pupil Premium children have been able to access up to three after-school activity clubs per week free-of-charge with the remaining club being offered at 50% charge. This has helped to further increase participation in physical activity for all of our children. This has continued all the way through to summer 2021 and beyond with lots of take-up and positive feedback.