

Primary PE and Sports Funding

Introduction:

The government has provided all primary schools with ring fenced PE Premium funding since 2013. The Brook received £8,425 for 2013/14 and £4,923 for 2014/15. Funding was ongoing for the following 5 years to use as we saw fit to improve our provision of PE and Sport. After consultation with parents at the Brook we decided that our vision to maximise the effectiveness of the premium was to set up a Saturday swimming club and, initially, weekend sports activities. These were linked to the school's strategy to improve the fitness and health of all pupils.

We began by offering after school and weekend sports activities in small groups with qualified SEN instructors. These included for 2015/16:

- Swimming sessions on Saturdays initially from 11.00-3.00pm for Early Years and Key Stage 1, followed by Key Stage 2 led by a swimming instructor supported by staff trained in resuscitation. This includes a 1 hour PMLD session.
- The use of a part-time sports instructor for class groups when our PE specialist took voluntary redundancy.

Long term sustainability was established by parental contributions to swimming of £5.00 per session – now £7.50 – which has always been based firmly on letting costs.

Impact:

- Increased pupil participation in PE and Sports in and beyond the schoolday
- Extended provision and inclusivity
- Enhanced communication with parents and carers, the time of day when activities offered most suit parents/carers.
- Parents and carers socialising – in special schools this difficult as children are bussed in each day – this has been particularly positive for the swimming sessions.
- As part of the school's strategy to improve pupil's health and fitness
- Complementing healthy eating and weight control programmes both across the school and for particular individuals for whom the dietitian has put plans in place

The Future: sadly, as we now only receive approximately £3,500 from the funding we cannot expand our provision – we may also have to put up fees to break even as swimming is very staff intensive especially for PMLD youngsters.

Primary PE and Sport Funding - Overview of Spend as at April 2016

Income 2015/2016

PE Sports Fund £8,446.00

Extended School £2,466.40

Total £10,912.40

Expenditure 2015/2016

Staff costs £5,467.31

Total £5,467.31

Income 2016/2017

PE Sports Fund £3,521.00 May-16

PE Sports Fund £4,935.00 Nov-16

Extended School £1,855.50

Total £10,311.50

Expenditure 2016/2017

Staff costs £3,200.00

Total £3,200.00