



St James C of E Junior School, Whitehaven

Sports Premium Statement

2018—2019

Introduction

Sports premium funding was first allocated in September 2013 to help schools increase participation in sport and physical activity, encourage healthy life styles, increase opportunities for competitive sport and to raise standards. This year the funding is £16,000 plus £10 per pupil.

Our Vision

At St James we are proud of how we use the sports funding. Over recent years, the money has given **every** child the opportunity to take part in sport and physical activity outside of the school setting; all children have been able to enjoy adventurous activities such as lake kayaking and mountain walking. We have also tried to encourage more unusual sports including: archery, boccia, circus skills, climbing, paddle boarding, judo, MOKY fit, and wheelchair basketball. We try to enhance theme topics with use of the sports premium funding, for example, when studying Kensukes Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo, the children had a go at indoor kayaking to try and understand the characters feelings as he rowed out to sea and as an introduction to Mirror Mask by Neil Gaiman, the children experienced a range of circus skills to inspire and enthuse the start of the topic.

How we spent the money in 2017—2018 (Allocation £17,740)

- ◆ Professional fees to help coach, promote and inspire the children including: cricket, football, gymnastics, circus skills, taekwondo and canoeing—£5,489
- ◆ Transport fees to allow opportunity for competitive sport/events— £2,466
- ◆ New equipment to raise the standard of P.E. lessons and increase physical activity at break and lunch times—£209
- ◆ Subsidised extra curricular activities to encourage and promote physical activity

Impact on the children

- ◆ Success at competition level. Examples include: runners up at a national girls football competition, two national cross-country finalists, cross-country cluster winners and athletics cluster winners.
- ◆ Positive comments on sport and physical activity during pupil interviews...

“It’s good to try new sports—I enjoyed paddle boarding and I would do it again.”

“The climbing club staff are really supportive—they have helped me improve in climbing and I’m now more confident.”

How we plan to spend the money in 2018—2019 (Allocation £17,613 plus 2017/2018 Carry over)

- ◆ Transport to competitions and events to maintain competitive success
- ◆ Continue to use specialised coaches to develop skills of teachers and children
- ◆ Improve the standard of the outdoor games area (MUGA)
- ◆ Increased swimming hours to allow every class a 12 week swimming block per academic year

Sustainability

At St James we want to make sure our use of the sports funding has a long term benefit to all children, even those still to start their education at St James. That’s why we are keen to strengthen our ever-growing relationship with Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project to ensure children have a place to take part in extra curricular physical activity during and beyond their time with us. Work with sports coaches allows teachers to develop their own skill sets which will enable them to deliver better P.E. lessons in the future. The continued payment for transport to sports competitions and the recent addition of a new sports kit will inspire future cohorts through continued success. The development of the schools outdoor space has been a great success and further developments of outdoor provision will enhance this. The installation of the trim trail has allowed: greater physical exertion, improved balance, core body strength and physical confidence during break and lunch times for all children. The improved MUGA surface will hopefully have a similar positive impact on physical, social and mental needs of our children.

Meeting national curriculum requirements for swimming and water safety (Year 6)	
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres?	83%
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke]?	78%
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations?	78%
Schools can choose to use the Primary PE and Sport Premium to provide additional provision for swimming but this must be for activity over and above the national curriculum requirements. Have you used it in this way?	Yes We subsidise swimming sessions for all pupils. Every year group swims every year. We subsidise an open water safety/swim session for UPKS2