

What is the Sports Premium?

The Government is providing funding of £150 million per annum to provide new, substantial primary school sport funding. This funding is being jointly provided by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport, and sees money going directly to primary school head teachers to spend on improving the quality of sport and PE for all their children. Our school receives on average £8000 per school year for this activity.

The sport funding can only be spent on sport and PE provision in schools.

Click [here](#) for the Department of Education link to the Primary Schools' Sports Funding page.

How has this funding benefited St Augustines RC Primary School pupils during 2014/15?

The Governors have determined that the funding must be used so that:

- ☐ all pupils benefit regardless of sporting ability
- ☐ all children benefit from increased access to extra-curricular activities
- ☐ all pupils benefit from access to new lunchtime sports activities
- ☐ that the whole school take part in extra-curricular activities that improve self confidence and teamwork
- ☐ that staff have access to training opportunities and continued professional development so that PE expertise remains in the school after funding has completed.

How have we spent the funding during 2014/2015

1. Continuation of a range of Lunchtime and Extra-curricular activities

The following activities were introduced to the school PE programme during the 2013/14 school year and continued in this academic year:

- ☐ Years 3 & 4 lunchtime football club for boys and girls.
- ☐ Years 5 & 6 lunchtime football club for boys and girls, and additional sessions to form a boys and girls football squad to represent the school at various local tournaments.
- ☐ Gymnastics club for boys and girls from year 2 to year 4.
- ☐ Whole school participation with WOEC taking part in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities to help improve self confidence, team building and working together. This included the use of climbing walls, tunnel exercises and kayaking.

- Purchase of a variety of sports equipment to support this expanded PE programme.

Introduction of a new range of lunchtime and extra-curricular activities

- Orienteering lunchtime club for all pupils.
- Circus skills lunchtime club for all pupils.
- Rugby lessons led by Weymouth Rugby club.
- Football skills lessons led by a coach from the Football Association.

2. What did this range of activities achieve?

From a school with 200 pupils, 79 of these registered to take part in one or more of the lunchtime clubs during 2013/14 and this number saw an increase during 2014/15.

Pupils from years 5 and 6 took part in several inter schools orienteering competitions with a final taking place at the Nothe. One of our school teams came 4th out of 50 teams!

The rugby lessons were enjoyed by year 6 for 1 term and the football skills by year 4 for 1 term.

These clubs are offered on a free-of-charge basis by school staff, and all pupils are encouraged to take part regardless of ability.

The school participation in activities at the Weymouth Outdoor Education Centre (WOEC) was a new initiative during 2013/14 to offer an inclusive opportunity for pupils to join in a variety of new activities with the aim of raising their self-confidence and to experience activities that the school cannot offer within their normal PE lessons. These included climbing walls, tunneling and kayaking.

These activities proved to help build teamwork and friendships in each class and be proactive in helping to prevent bullying.

Feedback from class teachers was positive and the pupils enjoyed the activities with a number overcoming initial fears and achieving individual goals within the activities.

These activities were repeated during 2014/15 for school years 1,2,3 and 4 with year 5 spending the day at the Portland academy learning to sail in dinghies.

During 2014/15 pupil premium children qualified for free afternoon clubs and also subsidies for class swimming lessons.

The school introduced a Healthy Eating Breakfast club funded through the Sports fund as a trial for a limited period, which proved very successful. The school will investigate if this can be introduced on a permanent basis.

To complement this the school introduced a 'start of the day' (before 9am) 'physical activities' in the hall, which has been continued.

3. Providing opportunities for pupils to compete

The lunchtime football clubs offer extra skills training for those selected to represent the school at a variety of local tournaments.

The school team last year was seen to progress as the year went on and this was reflected in the tournaments results. This was the same with both the boys and girls teams.

A small number of pupils were selected from year 6 to take part in Sports Ambassador training so that they can take on role model and leadership roles within the school and lead lunchtime 'warm up' and 'cool down' exercises and to raise the profile of sport and encourage more of schools pupils' to participate.

4. Professional Staff Development

Two members of staff took part in an accredited FA Football skills course for Primary schools.
One member of staff took part in a Gymnastics course.

5. Additional resourcing

As we have expanded the range of sporting activities on offer, we have used some of this funding to purchase further resources and equipment so that all pupils can fully access these activities.

What are our plans for the funding during 2015/2016?

The plan is to repeat the range of new activities delivered in the first year of funding as well as expanding our range of activities. We aim to continue to develop these based on feedback from our pupils and staff and we will repeat an end of summer term evaluation that we completed 2 years ago to see if our needs are being met or whether we need to consider any new activity.

We aim to repeat our activity week at WOEC as a standard feature in our sports events annual diary.

This year with the formation of a new primary schools sports network for South Dorset (The Ridgeway Schools Partnership) we have entered our year5/6 school football team in a new friendly league. This will provide more matches through the season as opposed to the one off knock out competitions.

The league has 11 schools registered to take part and as some of these schools have more than 1 class per year there will be two trophies. One for the league winners and one for the highest placed small school (1 class per year), so we have something to play for!

A new website has been created which will contain all of the results and lots of information about the league.

<http://www.leaguewebsite.co.uk/rasafotballpremierleague>

We intend to register our school for the Sports Kite Award which is a new certification sponsored by Sainsbury.

The Sainsbury's School Games Mark is a Government led awards scheme to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Schools are able to assess themselves across bronze, silver and gold levels of the Mark.

Lastly some of the funds may be used to help turn the outdoor swimming pool into an enclosed sports area.





