Garswood Primary School



Sports Premium Policy

At Garswood Primary School we are committed to offering our pupils the highest possible quality of education.

We want our children to

- Develop imagination and creativity
- Acquire skills and abilities
- Have a love of learning

Through respect, teamwork and partnerships, we will work together to ensure that all children achieve, succeed and become responsible and well-mannered citizens.

Our Physical Education and School Sports Vision

Physical Education and School sports is an area where all pupils can enjoy and achieve, building a platform for life long physical activity in an environment where all our pupils can succeed and thrive.

We will ensure targeted and strategic use of the Primary School Sport Funding to support us in achieving and sustaining our vision for Physical Education and the vision of the school.

Principles

The premium must be used to fund additional and sustainable improvements to the provision of PE and sport, for the benefit of primary-aged pupils, in the 2023-24 academic year, to encourage the development of healthy, active lifestyles, whilst maintaining new Covid health and safety measures.

Schools will have to spend the sport funding on improving their provision of PE and sport, but they will have the freedom to choose how they do this.

Possible uses for the funding include:

- hiring specialist PE teachers or qualified sports coaches to work alongside primary teachers when teaching PE
- paying for online/virtual professional development opportunities in PE/sport
- providing cover to release primary teachers for professional development in PE/sport
- running virtual and online sport competitions or increasing participation in the school games through challenges set via Teams and Twitter.
- buying quality assured professional development modules or materials for PE/sport
- providing places for pupils on after school sport clubs and holiday clubs.
- Providing a 'catch-up' curriculum for any missed opportunities due to previous academic year lockdown.

We will ensure that Garswood Physical Education provision will address the needs of all of the pupils, including those who belong to disadvantaged, vulnerable and gifted groups. We will ensure that the vision gives opportunities for all children regardless of gender, age or ethnic background. Provision for accessing online methods of participation will be assessed and provided for.

Background

The Government has committed funding to the development of sports within schools. This funding is being jointly provided by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport, and will see money going directly to primary school headteachers to spend on improving the quality of sport and PE for all their children.

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

Provision

The Governors agree that the money must be used so that: all children benefit regardless of sporting ability; that all children have the opportunity to take part in a wide variety of sports including competitions; that staff have access to training opportunities and continued professional development and that the funding contributes directly to a legacy of sport in the school.

All our work will be aimed at increasing attainment, increasing participation, improving pupil confidence, developing skills, developing social confidence and promoting a life-long love of sport, together with an understanding of the health benefits that participation in sporting activities brings.

Below we show how we intend to spend the sports funding:

- Opening up opportunities for school representation in a variety of physical activities
- Use of dedicated specialist Physical Education teachers
- Transport provision to support achievement of the aims of the policy
- Access for all to electronic methods of accessing virtual and online challenges.
- High quality staff continued professional development
- Cover release for professional development
- Specialist sports coach expertise
- Lunchtime activity provision
- Further develop out of hours learning
- Involvement in sports competitions and festivals.
- Development of young leaders to take ownership of leading sporting activities.
- Development of existing equipment and purchase of new equipment to improve quality of PE provision.

Reporting

It will be the responsibility of the Head teacher and PE Co-ordinator to collectively report back to the Governors on;

- Levels of impact and outcomes of the Sports Premium
- Successes
- Progress made towards improvements
- Cost effectiveness of provision

It will be the responsibility of the finance officer to monitor expenditure for Sports Premium and for the Finance, Buildings, Staffing & Pay Committee to evaluate impact.

The Governors of the school will ensure that there is an annual statement to parents on how the Primary Sport Premium Funding has been used to improve the uptake and outcomes for PE/sports both within and beyond the school day. This task will be carried out within the requirements published by the Department for Education.

Success Criteria

The evaluation of this policy is based on the impact that this funding will have on improvement in the quality of sport and PE provision for all children.