



## **Sports Premium at St Catherine of Siena**

In recent years, the government has allocated funding to ensure that schools make additional and sustainable changes, in order to affect the level of Physical Education and Sports within each school and to raise the national profile of PE. This document outlines how the funding allocation has been spent at St. Catherine's.

Over the course of the 2016-17 academic year, St Catherine's has committed to raising standards in PE by:

- (i) Working collaboratively with Bishop Challoner Secondary School to support the teaching of PE in KS1 and KS2
- (ii) Investing in equipment for lunch and playtimes in order to raise physical activity
- (iii) Investing in high quality PE equipment, ensuring the school has provision for PE lessons
- (iv) Working with 'Fit4Schools' to monitor and raise the fitness levels of children in our school
- (v) Employing coaches to work within certain subject areas across KS1 and KS2
- (vi) Participating in inter and intra-school competition, including participation in the School Games

## **Primary School's Sports Premium Funding Background**

As part of the Olympic legacy, the Government is providing funding of £150 million per annum, to raise the quality of sports teaching and provision. The Departments are providing the funding jointly for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport, with money going directly to primary schools. Head teachers have flexibility on how this money is spent but it must be used to improve the quality of sport and PE for all children.

For the academic year 2016-2017, St Catherine's was awarded a total of **£8 914** to spend on developing Sport and PE for the children across the school.

## **PE at St Catherine of Siena Catholic Primary School**

Physical education develops the children's knowledge, skills and understanding, so that they can perform with increasing competence and confidence in a range of physical activities. These include dance, games, gymnastics, swimming and water safety, athletics and outdoor adventure activities. Physical education promotes an understanding in children of their bodies in action. It involves thinking, selecting and applying skills and promotes positive attitudes towards a healthy lifestyle. Thus we enable them to make informed choices about physical activity throughout their lives.

## **St Catherine's Sporting Aims**

- To ensure all children achieve highly in PE, developing essential skills
- To encourage children to take part in competitive sports, both within school and through external competitions (such as the Birmingham Catholic School Sports Association)
- To teach children a range of skills that they can apply to known games, and new sporting opportunities
- To develop an understanding of how children succeed in sport and how to evaluate their success
- To teach children to understand the need for exercise on their bodies, and its long term benefits

## **Sports Funding**

For the academic year 2016-17 St Catherine's School will be applying their Sports Premium in order to address these targets by:

- (i) To continue working collaboratively with Bishop Challoner Secondary School to support the teaching of PE in KS1 and KS2

Each KS1 and KS2 class will be given the opportunity to work alongside a PE specialist from Bishop Challoner School in order to develop the delivery of PE throughout the school, with the aim of raising standards across the subject. As well as this, buying in to the Bishop Challoner scheme will provide the school with two staff training sessions, as well as one-to-one planning mornings for PE lessons.

- (ii) To continue investing in equipment for lunch and playtimes in order to raise physical activity

Extra equipment on the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds will provide the children with opportunities to keep active. There will also be continued play-leaders training in order to encourage activity for KS1 pupils.

- (iii) Investing in high quality PE equipment, ensuring the school has provision for PE lessons

Purchasing additional PE equipment will ensure that all members of staff have the required equipment to teach their lessons.

- (iv) To continue working with 'Fit4Schools' to monitor and raise the fitness levels of children in our school

Once again, St Catherine's will be working with Fit4Schools in order to test and monitor the fitness levels of our children. All KS1 and KS2 classes will have four test days in order to monitor their fitness throughout the academic year.

- (v) Employing coaches to work within certain subject areas across KS1 and KS2

For the academic year we will be utilizing after-school coaches. KS2 will receive tag-rugby coaching, and KS1 will receive coaching through cricket. These sessions aim to improve fundamental skills of the children, with the aim of encouraging their participation and attainment in competition.

- (vi) Participating in inter and intra-school competition, including participation in the School Games

As in previous years, there will be a great focus on competitive sport. We will be using the Sports Premium funding to buy in to sports consortiums, such as the Birmingham Catholic School Sports Association, and will also help cover transport to and from competitions.

### **How we intend to use our Sport Funding in 2016-2017**

In 2016-2017 we plan to use our sport funding to:

- Continue to enhance to the quality of our PE lessons by enhancing the skills of our teacher.
- To continue to enhance the opportunities for children to play competitive sports. Funding will be used to provide cover for staff, specialist equipment and help with transport costs. Competitions entered this year include:
  - 9-a-side football league and cup competitions
  - 6-a-side girls and boys football tournaments
  - Badminton competitions
  - Netball league and cup competitions
  - Rounders tournament
  - Gaelic Football tournament
  - Tag Rugby Competitions
  - Athletics competition at Birmingham Alexander Stadium
- To purchase new fitness equipment for the school playground to improve fitness levels.

### **Outcomes of 2015-16 Sports Premium**

Last academic year (2015-2016) we received **£8 890** in PE and sport premium funding. Following the effective use of Sports Premium funding in the previous academic year, there has been improvements in the following areas:

- (i) Greater staff confidence in the delivery of PE sessions following work with Bishop Challoner
- (ii) A positive impact on pupils' fitness levels through the 'Fit4Schools' test days.
- (iii) Participation in physical activity has increased at break and lunch times, particularly regarding girls, as outlined in an activity study completed with Newman University
- (iv) Greater attendance to extra-curricular sports clubs
- (v) As a school, we were able to enter more competitions, such as gymnastics, giving children the opportunity to explore more sports

### **Last year we used the funding to:**

- Provide class teachers with additional training and resources to help them teach PE and sport more effectively;
- Provide children with additional opportunities to play competitive team sport at lunchtime.
- Members of staff organised and managed competitive ball sport during the lunchtime period.
- Enhance the opportunities for children to play competitive sports and to join in with sporting activities with other schools. Funding will be used to provide cover for staff, specialist equipment and help with transport costs.

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## Examples from our Sporting Gallery for 2015-2016

