

School PE and Sport: Funding for Primary schools

2015/16

Following the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games the Government has provided funding for schools to secure a significant and lasting legacy for the children. The aim is to develop an enjoyment of sport and physical activity, and to promote a healthy lifestyle in children from an early age.

During the academic year of 2014- 2015 Wood End Park Academy received £11,515 to spend on sport. We are anticipating the same amount of funding this academic year. The money is ring-fenced and must be spent on sport and PE (Physical Education). It is up to each individual school to decide how this money is to be spent.

At Wood End Park Academy in 2014/15, we spent the funding for the following initiatives:

1. Specialist sports coaches to lead some of our PE lessons as professional development for our teachers and high quality lessons for pupils. All the children in Years 1 and 3 children received high quality gymnastics with teachers observing the specialist teacher.

£2,000

Teachers who have worked with a specialist sports coach have uplevelled their PE plans to incorporate the subject knowledge and strategies as shared by the sports coach.

2. Year 6 and Year 2 children received PE lessons led by a specialist sports coach weekly in outdoor sports. This was for the whole year.

£3,750

This led to development in PE skills for all children in these year groups; it also enabled our own PE teacher to teach a group of more able year 6 pupils and extend their skills further.

3. Funding was allocated for professional development for all teaching staff in the teaching of Orienteering and Athletics. (2012/13: we focused on Gymnastics), in collaboration with PSD (Sports Company). Staff received high quality training on the teaching of these two sports so that they could implement the skills learnt into the teaching of their own PE lessons.

£200

This led to high standards of teaching in the areas of Orienteering and Athletics as seen in lesson observations.

4. We employed a specialist basketball coach to lead in basketball sessions at lunchtimes for all the Key Stage 2 children. He worked with children for half an hour each lunchtime and trained children on specific basketball skills. The basketball coach continued sessions after school with his own basketball team; this team won the Hillingdon Basketball Tournament to enter the London Youth Games.

£1,500

5. We used a coach from PSD to take the lead in organising outdoor games for children each lunchtime for half an hour in the multi-user games area pitch. This was each day for the whole year.

£3,750

This supported the smooth running of lunchtime play activities and also gave the pupils a purposeful game to play that was set up for them in our new MUGA (multi user games area).

Total Expenditure: £11,200.

Additional Opportunities:

In addition to the above, Wood End Park 'topped up' the experiences for our pupils. Plans included:

- Each child had a free place to a Healthy Living workshop which included training on how to keep fit
- Funding experiences for pupils in Years 3 and 4 where they participated in a sport/ activity that the school currently did not offer
- Hosting the Centre of Excellence for Sport, inviting gifted and talented pupils from our own school and Cranford Park Academy to take part in lessons on each Saturday afternoon
- Preparing pupils in school sports teams to represent Wood End Park Academy at the Park Federation Trust sports events. Last year, Federation sports events included cricket, dodgeball, football and athletics.

To find out more about the Sporting Programme at Wood End Park, please do not hesitate to contact the front office at Wood End Park Academy.

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Plans for the Sports Funding this year include:

1. Use of a specialist coach to team teach with teachers in Year 4 so they can develop their expertise in teaching sport
Cost: £3,500 (£20 per day x 35 weeks)
2. Use of a specialist coach to engage pupils in sports play during breaktimes and lunchtimes
Cost: £3,500 (£20 per day x 35 weeks)
3. Subsidising the cost of less commonly offered after school activities: Autumn Term: gymnastics
Cost: £900 (£300 per term)
4. Subsidising the cost of Healthy Living workshops for parents and children in Reception year group
Cost tbc.