

PE and Sports Funding 2016-17

Royal Alexandra and Albert Junior School

The government is providing additional funding of £8655 to improve provision of physical education (PE) and sports in primary schools from April 16 to March 17. This funding - provided jointly by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport - is allocated to primary school Headteachers.

The rationale of this funding, which will be received over two years, is that it should provide a sustainable improvement in Sport and PE provision in the Junior School by increasing the skills of staff and providing equipment to ensure a legacy improvement for the Junior School rather than a temporary improvement.

The funding at the Royal Alexandra and Albert School has been an opportunity to enable more children to participate in a range of sporting events as well as to develop the skills of teachers and staff. It is hoped that it will have a long lasting effect in our curriculum and the 4-5 activities over time.

The funding was used in the following ways

- *Supporting and engaging the least active children through new or additional clubs.*

Impact: new playground equipment was purchased to allow more games to be played in the playground with more variety.

Basketballs, skipping ropes, french skipping ropes and soft footballs were purchased on the children's request.

Table tennis has been very popular with less active children and girls respectively. New bats were purchased so this can be played at playtime.

- *Paying for professional development opportunities for teachers in PE and sport. We paid for the Membership to the Redhill Primary school sports Association and Surrey County Council membership for the PE Co-coordinator to support all PE Initiatives.*

Impact: New PE coordinator has attended professional training with the sports leaders (Years 6) and has guided teachers in the active involvement of the pupils in sports.

- *Providing cover to release primary teachers to take children to participate in sporting fixtures*

Impact: PE coordinator, Year 4 and 6 teachers able to take pupils to fixtures and events.

The football team attended their weekly league matches - finished 2nd. They also attended the tournament - finished 1st.

We as a school were able to host a B team football tournament for the 1st time, inviting local schools.

The netball team attended their weekly league matches - finished 7th. They also attended the tournament - finished 5th.

Cross country events were attended by children in years 3-6 throughout the Spring term.

Children attended the Indoor athletics event finishing 2nd.

Year 5 and 6 children attended the Oval Cricket trip which improved uptake in the girls and boys cricket teams. They attended their weekly league matches in the summer term.

- *Running sport competitions, or increasing pupils' participation in the School Games.*

Impact: New Clubs offered to pupils and greater number of pupils taking part in games schemes brought greater confidence in the pupils PE Skills.

A wide range of inter-house competition were run with the help of the senior PE department this year. This enabled all children to take part and earn points for their houses. Trophies were awarded to the winning team.

- *Paying for new PE equipment.*

Equipment

Much of the money this year was put towards sports equipment for a variety of different sports including hockey, lacrosse, football and athletics.

Impact: teachers have been able to teach the lessons without any difficulty as materials are there for them to implement the lessons; all children now have equipment in the lesson which then increases their participation in the lesson.

New football and netball kits have been purchased. This has increased the children's desire to be in the teams as well as improving their moral. We have already seen an improvement in their performance.

New Football goals were purchased ensuring the right size was being used for fixtures as well as enabling the B team tournament to be hosted at our school - this would otherwise have not gone ahead.

Money has been set aside for further sports equipment and training in the Junior School next year.

Sports and PE are central to our school. The list of clubs available for PE and Sports available.