

Sport Premium Funding

In short, school sport premium funding is a ring-fenced grant given directly from central government to individual primary schools, with an aim of “improving the quality of the PE and sporting activities they offer their pupils.”

Over the 3 academic years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16, the government is spending over £450million to fulfil this aim. Each individual primary school across the country will receive £8,000 plus an extra £5 per pupil.

Update: The government has now committed to continue the sport premium funding up until 2020.

Our Vision

In terms of spending the sport funding, St Mark’s is committed to targeting investment in areas that best benefit the individual needs of our school. Firstly, it is imperative that we use the funding to maintain a high quality of P.E provision within lessons. Secondly, it is key to invest money into including and engaging more of our children in sport. Indeed, St Mark’s has a rich sporting history so our focus is now on broadening the sports and clubs we have on offer. And thirdly, it is essential that a secure investment is made in creating a real sporting legacy at St Mark’s that will be felt for many years to come.

To find out how we have spent the sport premium grant, please see the yearly breakdowns in the following tables:

2013/14

Spending this year is focussed on meeting the short term needs to help improve the delivery of PE within school.

Academic Year 2013/14	
Funding Focus	Impact
To employ a dance coach to run a whole day workshop for KS2.	All of the KS2 children took part in a whole day dance workshop, catered around looking at traditional dances from countries around the world. Linked to the world cup, this culminated in a ‘closing ceremony’ where each year group performed their dance to the rest of KS2. From conversations the children loved how unique the day was and how they were able to learn about another country through PE!
To repair/restore damaged PE equipment.	Two of our school benches were repaired and a new mat trolley purchased to aid the delivery of gymnastics. All are now in full use.
To employ high quality sports coaches to aid the delivery of the PE curriculum.	KS1 and several classes in KS2 received sports coaching from several Salford Community Leisure coaches for the entire year. This helped

	to improve the quality of PE lessons within the school.
To employ a dance specialist to teach dance to KS1 and KS2 children.	Mrs Bibby was employed as a specialist dance teacher. She worked with number of classes to deliver high quality dance lessons and helped to choreograph specialist dances to enrich school productions.
To provide transport to out of school sporting events.	A coach was hired to take the entirety of upper KS2 to the Salford Run at the AJ Bell Stadium. The school had over 90 children take part, as well as many parents and carers who joined us for the event!

2014/15

Our focus this academic year is on inclusion within the school. As part of this, we have looked to improve the range of sports that are on offer and increase the amount of children who participate in them.

Academic Year 2014/15	
Funding Focus	Impact
To address immediate equipment needs to facilitate the teaching of P.E across the school.	A large amount of new sporting equipment was ordered to ensure staff have sufficient equipment to teach a wide range of sports. Indeed, now the school is equipped to deliver lessons in football, hockey, unihoc, tennis, cricket, rugby, basketball, rounders, golf, archery, goalball and more.
To purchase tri-golf and archery sets to extend the range of sports on offer at St Mark's.	KS2 classes have participated in a new sport. Archery was offered as part of a Level 1 competition during sports week.
To pay for additional after school sports clubs with an aim of including more of our children in sport.	The school has provided an after school club throughout the year. With an aim of offering 'less traditional' sports to include more pupils, a wider range of children have enjoyed lacrosse, ultimate frisbee and street dance.
To improve our outdoor environment so that more children are active during break times.	Playground markings have been installed on the KS1 playground. Children are visibly more active at break times. However KS2 children – despite being active at lunch time – still lack quality outdoor provision to enhance their play.
To pay for a sport coach to work with children over two lunch times each week.	Salford Community Leisure (SCL) work with KS2 children on outdoor adventures activities twice a week during the lunch break. Children therefore develop their teambuilding skills and have an extra timetabled PE session in the week.

To pay for transport to a Level 3 sporting event (Kwik Cricket).	The 10 children who won both the Worsley and Salford events could represent the Salford area at a regional level.
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2015/16

This academic year sport premium funding will be used to purchase equipment to support quality teaching and learning, to provide a more inclusive extra-curricular timetable and to sign up to the Sports Partnership which provides CPD and guidance for the school.

Academic Year 2015/16	
Funding Focus	Impact
To continue to fund sports coaches (to run both after school and lunchtime clubs) to ensure we offer inclusive sports provision across the school. (£1,140)	All KS2 children have access to a lunchtime sports club on a Thursday/Friday. In order to accommodate the large number of children the club operates on a rota basis at both lower key stage 2 and upper key stage 2.
To pay for entry fees to Level 2 sport competitions (Salford Schools' Cross Country, Worsley Swimming Gala, Salford Athletics). (£190)	Children can compete at Level 2 inter-school events. In both Salford Schools Cross Country and Athletics we had numerous individual medal winners. In the Worsley Swimming Gala a number of children who had not previously represented the school before were able to do so with one of these children claiming a gold medal.
To pay for membership of the Salford Schools Sport Partnership. (£625)	The PE subject leader is able to access CPD in the form of termly meetings and an annual conference where outstanding practice is shared. This practice is then shared with those staff responsible for delivering PE. Expertise is also available through the partnership for guidance on curriculum, financial planning etc
To purchase any PE equipment needed to help deliver school sport (£1,150)	A broader range of sports were able to be delivered in a bid to target those children who are reluctant to participate in curriculum PE. We also audited then purchased equipment for EYFS children to use during as part of their continuous provision helping children to work towards the Physical Development aspect of the Early Learning Goals.
To purchase Me and My Pupil Insight Software from Greater Manchester Sports Partnership (£50)	The Sport and Health Survey informs schools about pupil's participation in sport, physical activity and healthy lifestyles.

2016/17

This academic year sport premium funding will be used to purchase equipment to enhance the outdoor environment within the KS2 playground so as to further develop physical activity during breaktime and lunchtime.

Academic Year 2016/17	
Funding Focus	Impact
To make the outdoor space more conducive to physical development: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Installing a traversing wall in the woodland area. (£5,400)- To fund the installation of a woodland adventure trail. (£2,535)	Year 3-6 have a rota for using the traversing wall and adventure trail each week. As a result all children within the year group are more actively engaged on at least 2 lunchtimes each week.
To continue to fund sports coaches (to run both after school and lunchtime clubs) to ensure we offer inclusive sports provision across the school. (£1,664)	KS1 (Friday) and KS2 (Thursday) have access to weekly extracurricular clubs. Up to 50 different children from KS1 have taken part in multi sports this academic year so far. Children in KS2 continue to attend a lunchtime sports club each Thursday (LKS2) and Friday (UKS2)
To pay for entry fees to Level 2 sport competitions (Salford Schools' Cross Country, Worsley Swimming Gala, Salford Athletics) (£150)	IN the Salford Schools' Cross Country we had numerous individual medal winners as well as claiming the overall boys championship trophy.
To pay for membership of the Salford Schools Sport Partnership. (£650)	The PE subject leader is able to access CPD in the form of termly meetings and an annual conference where outstanding practice is shared. This practice is then shared with those staff responsible for delivering PE. Expertise is also available through the partnership for guidance on curriculum, financial planning etc
To purchase medals for the end of season Cross Country presentation (£50)	All children who represented the school in the cross country season were rewarded for their efforts with parents/family/friends in attendance. The ceremony is a celebration of the achievements of all not just the elite who claimed medals through top 3 placing in Salford Schools.
The purchase of equipment. (£45)	To ensure all equipment is safe and meets current guidelines allowing high quality teaching through provision of equipment.