



Policy for Sport Funding



Overview

The government is providing additional funding of £150 million per annum for academic years 2013 to 2014 and 2014 to 2015 to improve provision of physical education (PE) and sport in primary schools. This funding - provided jointly by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport - will be allocated to primary school headteachers.

This funding is ring-fenced and therefore can only be spent on provision of PE and sport in schools. Schools must spend the additional funding on improving their provision of PE and sport, but they have the freedom to choose how they do this

Objectives

- To improve the provision in PE and sport within the school's curriculum for Physical Education
- To improve the quality of teaching and learning in PE and sport
- To increase pupils participation in PE and sport
- To raise standards of achievement in PE and sport for all pupils
- To make use of qualified expertise to support and promote the teaching of PE and sport

Strategies

- Where it is appropriate we will consider hiring specialist PE teachers or qualified sports coaches to work with teachers when teaching PE (Lord Derby Specialist Teacher, Rebound Dance, Jamie Carragher Soccer School Coaches).
- We will look for strategies of supporting and engaging the least active children through new or additional provision and use of Sports Apprentices.
- Where INSET is available we will use the funding for paying for professional development opportunities for teachers in PE and sport
- We will look for opportunities for providing cover to release teachers for professional development in PE and sport
- We will use the funding to provide additional PE and sport activities including running sport competitions, or increasing pupils' participation in the School Games
- We will look at possibilities for purchasing equipment for new provision (linked to School Council)
- We will buy additional equipment for developing the early key skills in sport and games in KS1
- Where the right quality can be found we will look to buy quality assured professional development modules or materials for PE and sport
- We will look for appropriate opportunities to meet educational need by providing places for pupils on after school sports clubs and holiday clubs
- We will look for opportunities for pooling the additional funding with that of other local schools to build joint provision or to share sports staff and facilities.
- We will include details of the provision of PE and sport on the website, alongside details of their broader curriculum, so that parents may see what is on offer both within and beyond the school day.

Outcome

From September 2013, we will be held to account over how we spend their additional, ring-fenced funding. Ofsted will strengthen the coverage of PE and sport within the 'Inspectors' handbook' and supporting guidance so that both schools and inspectors know how sport and PE will be assessed in future as part of the school's overall provision. We will look to be able to demonstrate an improvement in the range, quality and participation in our PE and sports provision.