



## **ELLEL ST JOHN'S** **Sports Premium Statement 2020 - 21**

The PE and Sport Premium is funding in addition to the school's budget. Schools are free to decide how to allocate this funding to extend the range of sporting and physical opportunities experience of Ellel St John's pupils. In 2019/2020 the school received £17,640 and in 2020/21 we received £17,566.

We use the funding we receive to focus on the five key indicators as outlined by the Government and provide additional opportunities for our children to enable them to achieve well in these focus areas:

- Key indicator 1: The engagement of all pupils in regular physical activity
- Key indicator 2: The profile of PE and sport being raised across the school as a tool for whole school improvement
- Key indicator 3: Increased confidence, knowledge and skills of all staff in teaching PE and sport
- Key indicator 4: Broader experience of a range of sports and activities offered to all pupils
- Key indicator 5: Increased participation in competitive sport

### **Participation**

At Ellel St John's there is opportunity for children to access at least one after school club throughout the year, all of which are completely free, with the exception of the Activ8 and Enjoyaball club. All of these are run by the staff at school (e.g. football, Cross Country, Netball, Rounders, Cricket etc) and due to the government funding we have been able to offer a wider range of sporting opportunities.

### **Schools Sports Network and Competition**

Entry to the Lancaster Schools Sports Association Competitions (£100) gives the children the opportunity to compete against other local schools in a competitive environment, developing their understanding of healthy competition. However, due to Covid-19 this program of events was cancelled. We joined LHSSN for the first time this academic year and made the most of the package we were provided by them.

## **Equipment & Sports Kit**

The upkeep of equipment and the resourcing of active playtimes and PE lessons was allocated £1000 to buy new balls and a variety of soft play equipment. We needed to increase this due to Covid, classes being in bubbles and children not sharing equipment.

In 2019/20 we have purchased new gym equipment on our bark area. This was extremely popular with all pupils and has enabled children to keep fit and healthy at playtimes across the day. Due to Covid, and having to keep classes in bubbles, we extended this provision to other areas of the playground to ensure all classes had activities to complete during their playtimes and across their school day. This has again increased the participation of pupils in exercise across the school day. An improvement was also made to the surface of this area to improve the safety of the area.

## **Swimming**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic swimming lessons were not able to take place from March 2020-September 2021 therefore, there is no up to date data for Year 6. With this in mind, swimming for Year 6 is a key priority for the academic year 2021-2022.

## **Provision and General Impact**

The Sports Premium funding has allowed the school to support all the children and improve the quantity, quality and range of PE and Sport provision provided throughout the year from our Sports Coach as well as upskilled teachers with training they have received in previous years. We also joined LHSSN for the first time this academic year. They offered lots of coaching opportunities. Year 1 had Multi-Skills sessions, Year 2 had Morecambe FC complete Multi-Skills and Footballs sessions and Year 4 also had Football sessions, Year 3 and Year 5 completed a den building day and Year 6 took part in a day at Salt Ayre where they took part in different classes and went on the climbing facilities there. We also used the funding to pay for extra sessions with MFC and for our Reception class who had sessions with Diddy Dance.

With the continued funding for 2020-21, we are now capable of adding extra dimensions to our existing offer to pupils so that all have the opportunity to develop a healthy lifestyle and reach their true potential. The coaching

sessions also upskilled our existing teachers with new approaches to the delivery of the PE curriculum.

Forest school continues to flourish with access for all year groups.

In the academic year 2020-21, when Covid restrictions allowed, the school ran clubs which covered a variety of different sports, all being free to pupils, often through the expertise and commitment of our own staff and the time that they give up.

Free school based clubs included:

Football, Cross Country, Tag-Rugby, Multi-Skills, Rounders.

Due to Covid, we were unable to mix with other schools for sporting competitions.

The school achieved the Sainsbury's Games Award for the sixth successive year.

Underpinning our work is our desire to build capacity and expertise so that we are able to teach a more diverse range of sports ourselves so that the impact and gains are sustainable. This was achieved through the coaching sessions delivered by LHSSN.

### **Looking Ahead for 2021-22**

Although our clubs are well attended, we want to:

- increase the number of different children who attend at least one sports club in a year so that we manage to involve even the 'hard to reach' children. A register will be drawn up to track involvement.
- add a variety of new clubs to our already established list (eg. dance, MFC) using Sports Premium funding to support with the conducting of these.
- develop a sense of healthy lifestyle with whole school initiatives such as: Daily mile, Bikeability etc.
- purchase new sports uniform e.g. new school t-shirts, football kit, rain coats which will develop children's sense of being part of a team, and pride when taking part in events.
- Establish a Y6 Sports crew which involves playtime leader training  
<https://www.fitforsport.co.uk/training/courses/detail/the-active-playgrounds-programme>

- Carry out a staff questionnaire – are there any gaps in resources and equipment that staff have identified. Do staff feel they need any more training to teach PE as effectively as possible?
- Improve Outdoor learning across KS1 – staff questionnaire to see where gaps are and what resources/ training do we need to improve this?
- Restart competitions with external schools
- Buy in again to the LHSSN and ensure all children across school receiving coaching sessions across the year
- Buy in external coaches who proved successful last academic year (MFC, Diddy Dance).
- Look to see if there are any other local coaches who could offer a wider variety of sports coaching sessions for pupils
- Expand our Forest School provision from 1 session per week to 2 sessions using an external company
  - Year 6 to attend Swimming lessons to be able to fulfil the National requirement of being able to swim 25m by the end of KS2.