St John's Catholic Infant School

Policy for Sport Funding



"Loving, Learning and Laughter Together with God"

Article 30: "Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full.

Overview

The government is providing additional funding 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 children participation in PE and sport
- To raise standards of achievement in PE and sport for all children
- 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
- We will look for strategies of supporting and engaging the least active children through new or additional provision including where available Change4Life clubs
- 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 children' participation in the School Games
- 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 children 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

As a school we are held to account over how we spend our additional, ring-fenced funding and as such publish an annual statement on our website showing how the Sport Funding has been spent. Ofsted have strengthened the coverage of PE and sport within the 'Inspectors' handbook' and supporting guidance so that both schools and inspectors know how sport and PE are assessed 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.

This policy will be reviewed at least every two years or sooner if necessary.

The governing body have wider responsibilities under the Equalities Act 2010 and will ensure that all our school policies take account of the nine protected characteristics. We strive to do the best for all of the children and staff irrespective of age, disability, educational needs, race, nationality, ethnic or national origin, pregnancy, maternity, sex, gender reassignment, religion/belief, marriage/civil partnership or sexual orientation or whether they are looked after children.

We have carefully considered and analysed the impact of our policies on equality and the possible implications for pupils with these protected characteristics, as part of our commitment to meet the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) requirement to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations.

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