

**Background:**

The Government is providing additional funding of £150 million per annum for each academic year from 2013 to 2016 to provide new, substantial primary school sport funding in order to improve the provision of physical education and sport in primary schools. This funding is being jointly provided by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport, and will see money going directly to schools to be spent on improving the quality of sport and PE for all their children. All state-maintained schools, academies, middle schools, special schools and pupil referral units which have primary aged pupils (as reported in the 2013 school census) will receive the funding.

This funding is ring-fenced and therefore can **only** be spent on provision for PE and sport in schools. We will be held accountable for how we have used the additional funding to support pupils progress and participation in PE and school sport. We are required to publish on-line information about how we have used the additional funding, including details about our sporting provision alongside curriculum details.

**Allocation:**

All schools with 17 or more primary-aged pupils will receive a lump sum of £8000 plus a premium of £5 per pupil. Smaller schools will receive £500 per pupil.

Our Sports Premium funding for the academic year 2015-16 was £8810.

Our Sports Premium funding for the academic year 2016-17 is £8830.

**How we spent the funding in 2015-16:**

- Employing qualified sports coaches at lunchtimes to encourage less active children to take part in sports activities in their free time
- Buying into the Shepway Sports Trust's School Sports Package, enabling us to take part in inter-school sports activities and competitions
- Purchasing new storage facilities and equipment to encourage active playtimes
- Reintroducing swimming lessons for children in Years 3 and 4

**How will we be spending the funding in 2016-17:**

- Continuing to employ sports coaches at lunchtimes
- Continued access to the School Sports Package
- Extending swimming lessons to Year 1 in addition to Years 3 and 4

**Impact:**

We have already noticed a marked improvement in the children's well-being at lunchtimes, supported by data on a decrease in the number of problems recorded between pupils at this time. Informal evidence of pupils' attitudes towards inter-school sports activities also shows an improvement in attitudes towards competitive games by pupils who previously had taken less interest in sports activities.

In 2016-17 we will evaluate the impact of the Sports Premium funding as part of our normal self-evaluation and provision mapping arrangements. We will look at how well we use our Sport Premium to improve the quality and breadth of PE and sporting provision, including increasing participation in PE and sport so that all pupils develop healthy lifestyles and reach the performance levels they are capable of. Measuring the impact of the activities provided with sports premium funding can be achieved in different ways. We will look at progress in PE as well as other areas of development such as self-esteem, confidence and the numbers of pupils involved in sporting activities in and out of school. Assessments are made both formally and informally using our school assessment systems as well as feedback from staff and visitors to the school.