

Sports Premium

The Government is providing funding of £150 million per annum for academic years 2013/14 and 2014/15 to provide new, substantial primary school sport funding.

This funding is being jointly provided by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport, and will see money going directly to primary school Head Teachers to spend on improving the quality of sport and PE for all their children. The sport funding can only be spent on sport and PE provision in schools.

At St. Anne's, we are using our Sports Premium, to fund a 'Director of Sport'. Mr. I Bland, who has long been associated with the school in his capacity as a class teacher in the primary sector, but who has a secondary sports specialism, is passionate about promoting active life-styles and developing our young people's health and well-being.

Mr. Bland works for five afternoons per week, producing planning, delivering demonstration lessons to up skill all staff and observing them to improve their practice. To support this, he has conducted an audit, from which he has drawn up the attached Development Plan. To further enhance provision in areas of low confidence, our Director of Sport has sourced external CPD from cluster secondaries and twilights from the Local Authority.

In addition, Mr. Bland oversees one of our lunchtime ladies in supervising the Year 6 'Young Leaders' in organised play over dinner time break, as well as training our cross country, athletics and tag rugby teams towards success in local competitions. This takes place on the Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA), which was completed in late 2013 to meet our increased sporting needs and for after-school community use. The benefits of this

level of lunchtime activity are manifest not only in our children's enthusiasm to engage in sport, but also in their general fitness levels. Thus, St. Anne's produces many individual and team finalists and winners, not least of which, the school football team! The Director of Sport trains these teams after school, accompanying and coaching them in local competitions, whether during the school day or extra- curricular.

Mr.Bland, who himself runs the multi-skills club, has also improved and regularly monitors the quality of other after-school provision. Children across school benefit from tuition from a range of specialist qualified coaches: table tennis, netball, jujitsu, dance and hula hoop, to name but a few! To inspire the children to aim higher, we are eagerly looking forward to a visit from Josef Craig, a Paralympic swimmer from the North-East, who wil give an aspirational talk to the school.

Our Director of Sport also leads residentials for our Year 5 and Year 6 children, with a full programme of 'Thrills and Skills' residentials and planned for each cohort from Year 3 upwards for the 2014-2015 academic year, together with off-site orienteering sessions for Key Stage 1.

We have recently undergone a PE audit from the Local Authority with very positive feedback, but in an effort to improve provision still further, we will endeavour to act upon the advice given and will display our evaluation of impact in due course.

Mrs. L. Sixsmith (Head Teacher)