

Sports Premium Funding

Our broad aim for all children in PE and Games is to promote healthy physical development through the acquisition of skills, co-operation and confidence. We endeavour to achieve this in an atmosphere which encourages individual and team effort. The children take part in movement and dance, apparatus work and educational gymnastics, team games, swimming and athletics. We consider these activities to be an important part of your child's education. Children are expected to participate unless there are special grounds for exclusion. If your child is unfit for an activity, please write us a note and we will make alternative arrangements. It is important that your child is provided with kit on the appropriate days.

We run a variety of clubs throughout the year to cater for many children and different sports. In the summer the whole school takes part in a Sports Day. This includes a wide range of activities which are fun and enjoyable. We take part in numerous local festivals throughout the year such as tag rugby, football, netball, indoor athletics and cricket.

Primary School PE Funding

At Brenchley and Matfield CE VA Primary School we value the vital contribution that Physical Education makes to the health and well-being of our children. We believe that a varied and innovative curriculum and extra-curricular opportunities can have a positive influence on the concentration, attitude and achievement in all areas of a young person's life.

What is the Sports Premium?

The government has funded £150 million per annum for the last three academic years (2013/2014/2015) and will continue to provide for 2016/17. This is to offer new and substantial primary school sport funding. The funding is being jointly provided by the Department for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport, and will see money going directly to primary schools to spend on improving the quality of sport and PE. Each school has received £8,000 plus an extra £5 per pupil each year for the last 3 years – at Brenchley and Matfield CE VA Primary School that will mean around £8,700 a year. The money can only be spent on sport and PE provision in schools.

Purpose of the funding

Schools will have to spend the sport funding on improving their provision of PE and sport, but they will have the freedom to choose how they do this.

Ways we have spent the money so far at Brenchley and Matfield CE VA Primary School:

2013-2014

- Specialist gym instructor to support Years 1-6
- Specialist dance instructor to support Years 1-6
- Various outdoor games coaches including multi skills, golf, netball, tag rugby to support teachers confidence and skill level across the year groups
- After school multi skills clubs
- PE resources and storage unit

2014-2015

- Funding of a gymnastics club for 2 terms
- Funding of football club places
- Funding of a specialist trainers from West Kent Sports Partnership (WKSP) for the teaching of gymnastics
- Funding of an outdoor games specialist (WKSP) to work alongside teachers
- Funding of a dance specialist (WKSP) to work alongside teachers
- Purchasing of additional high quality playground equipment to increase engagement.

2015-2016

- Leadership Playground Training for pupils – year 5 & 6
- Sports Partnership with Premier Sports - Teacher CPD to increase PE engagement in school – all years
- Challenge Troop Partnership to foster teambuilding, sportsmanship and fitness levels across years 3, 4 and 5.
- Replacement sports and outdoor equipment

How we will spend our funding in 2016-2017. Income of £8,765

- We will continue to offer Challenger Troop / Tiger Troop to our KS2 pupils (Year 3).
- We will continue Teacher PE CPD through Premier Sports.
- We will increase the timetable for lunchtime active directed play through our continued sports partnership Premier Sport.
- We will continue to offer specialist coaching for afterschool football club.

Impact of Sports Grant funding at Brenchley & Matfield CE VA Primary School:

- The ability to substantially increase our range of activities to suit different ages groups, abilities and tastes. This year the school will offer Swimming, Football, Athletics, Gymnastics, Kwik Cricket, Tag Rugby, Running Club, Dodgeball, Netball, Dance, Ball Skills, Tennis and Archery.
- Enhanced timetabled PE provision which has increased pupil engagement in this topic. For example: All children across KS1 & KS2 take part in the “Golden Mile” 3 times a week in addition to 2 planned PE sessions per class and additional active cross-curricular sessions.
- The ability to further support disadvantaged pupils in the extended sports curriculum.
- Teachers report heightened confidence in delivering an enhanced sports curriculum and lesson grading judgements have improved.
- Leadership Playground training – Children leading children in peer to peer promotion of sporting challenges. This has allowed us to develop older children to promote and engage other children in sport during informal periods. The result is a greater cohesion on the playground with pupil taking lead responsibility for others.
- Challenge Troop / Tiger Troop programme has been shown to enable participants to develop self-assurance, respect, grit and resilience. Class Teachers have reported that the skills acquired have translated to better focus during class times and the ability to think through actions in a different setting. Brighton University reported that this programme showed “significant improvement in pupil’s self-control and management of behaviour, social skills, self-awareness and skills for learning....”