

Levens CE Primary School - Sport Provision Strategy

2017-18

How we spend our Sports and PE funding

Since 2013, schools have received a Government Sports and PE funding grant, provided to improve sports and PE provision. It is anticipated that this funding will continue for 5 years. We currently receive an annual block grant of £8000 plus £5 per pupil. We decide how to spend this through auditing resources, consulting on provision, identification of our aims and by measuring the impact and sustainability of our provision.

The sports/PE we are required to teach as part of the National Curriculum are team games, dance, gymnastics, swimming, athletics, outdoor and adventurous activities; the curriculum also covers keeping fit and healthy.

Our aims to improve sports/PE provision at Levens School:

- To increase provision for **promoting fitness, healthy lifestyles** and general **'wellbeing'** for our pupils;
- To increase opportunities for our **pupils to participate in shared sports events and competitions** with other schools locally;
- To **improve sporting outcomes and individual sporting ability**;
- To **offer new sporting opportunities** that take maximum advantage of our excellent local environment
- To **broaden the range of sports/PE we offer** our pupils
- To **increase opportunities to use specialist facilities and resources** at with other local secondary schools
- To **improve the quality of our PE teaching**, ensuring that all lessons are at least good and often outstanding
- To improve our **provision for both SEND and more able and talented pupils** in sports/PE
- To **improve the quality and range of school resources** for school deployment
- **To ensure sustainability of improvements into the longer term**

In 2017-18 (academic year), we will receive £16,680 and we are using this to improve our provision by:

- Building the capacity of our school playgrounds to encourage increased active play at breaktimes and lunchtimes for all our pupils; and in curriculum time for our EY pupils (£8240)
- Develop role of Young Leaders in school to support physical activity at lunchtimes. (£200)
- Continuing our partnership with Dallam Secondary School, Milnthorpe, via their 'Primary Package', to extend our pupils' participation in a comprehensive tournament package that facilitates competition between local primary schools in a range of sports. (£810 pa);
- Providing a range of sports/PE opportunities in school, led by sports professionals/coaches in curriculum time and in lunchtime clubs. This expertise is used to introduce pupils to new sports, encourage more pupils to take up sport and to provide professional development for staff. These have included: lacrosse, rounders, hockey, dance, gymnastics, athletics and multi-skills for children across the primary age (£5800.00).
- Providing 'Dance' workshops at lunchtimes with participation from KS2 children who are preparing a performance for a dance festival taking place in a local theatre in the spring term 2018. (£630).
- Funding transport to/from various sporting venues i.e. XCountry South Lakes Event, regional Lacrosse final, attendance at the Kendal Mountain Festival and fell walks (£700);
- Providing an Outdoor Education programme delivered by Dallam Outdoors. These sessions will be 2 separate outdoor adventure days for EY/KS1 and Y3/4 (£300).

Impact (and future aims)

The impact of provision 2016-17 has been excellent, helping us to meet our aims (listed above). Evidence includes:

- Pupils are enthusiastic. Participation in after school sporting activities is at a school high point. 60% of KS2 pupils participated in football and/or running after-school clubs. Provision extended to KS1 for athletics has seen a 40% uptake from children of all ages across the school.
- A pupil survey undertaken in summer 2017 demonstrated positive attitudes to sport and increased enjoyment; "I have done more sport here than I ever did in the whole time I was at my previous school – it has been brilliant!" stated one year 6 pupil.
- Parents are enthusiastic. Parents respond that extended competition, visits to other schools and opportunities to participate in the outdoor education activities have been exceptional and risen the profile of sporting participation and aspiration at Levens School.
- Focus and development of targeted sports in 15-17 has seen success in local and area competitions after many 'barren' years. School finished well in the Dallam Primary Challenge Series; the lacrosse team qualified for a regional final; gymnasts have progressed to area 'Key Steps' finals; cross country runners have been significantly better placed than previously in area competitions.
- Competition for places to represent the school is now very keen, pupils are committed to improving their skills and a deeper understanding of the level of commitment needed to secure team success and/or personal fulfilment.
- Levels of attendance at weekly sessions remain consistently over 90% of participants, evidencing both commitment and enjoyment of the sporting provision on offer.
- PE subject leader has attended co-ordinator meetings, increasing her skills and knowledge
- As parent and pupil feedback continue to request additional extra-curricular/inter-school PE/sports opportunities, this will be a continued aim for next year.

The school aspires to ensure all pupils throughout the school are actively engaged in some additional sport or physical activity as a direct result of experiences enjoyed through our sport provision during each academic year.

Evidence of our achievement in sport can also be seen on our school website:

www.levens.cumbria.sch.uk