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PE Impact Statement

For the academic year 2013-2014 the School received £8,265 of funding, known as the 'Primary Physical Education and Sport Premium', from the Government. This funding is ring-fenced to fund improvements to the provision of PE and sport, for the benefit of children and staff in our school, so that all children develop healthy lifestyles.

We are spending some of this money on qualified sports coaches in order to provide the children in our school a subsidised opportunity to participate in a variety of different sports including basketball, football and golf. This also helps to make links and strengthen links with external sports clubs.

The staff have also been improving their skills in teaching gym. We have had a training session run by Sara Robson who inspired us when using apparatus. She also came and taught gym sessions with various classes in order to demonstrate many areas discussed in the training. Staff undertook the compulsory 'rolls' training where we were taught how to teach forward rolls, backwards rolls, handstands and cartwheels. The training was run by Andy Wood MBE (British Gymnastics Higher Level Coach). All classteachers passed the qualification and can now teach the appropriate rolls or preparation skills required for each year group. We now have many more plans for further ways we can build on our expanding knowledge of gym. We have purchased some lower 'tables' for our younger or less confident children to use during our gym sessions.

As a result of our training, staff are also including an element of intra school competition into our PE lessons. This is through competition within the class, the year group or within the school. Children are then asked to mark each other's performances and this improves the skill level shown by the children and their attention to detail when performing themselves.

As a result of this training we have also purchased a range of new gym equipment that is aimed at increasing the activity levels and challenge provided to the children during gym sessions.

We are targeting a specific group of children who are in need of extra support with their fine and gross motor skills.

The impact that this funding has on our children's Physical Education and sport participation is to ensure that all children develop healthy lifestyles by greater participation in school sport, engaging in healthy eating, using PE and school sport to extend their learning in other subject areas such as maths, and participating in an increased diversity of sports in a rich and engaging curriculum.

The training we have participated in has given staff greater confidence in their abilities to deliver high quality, active and motivating PE lessons.

Future plans

The focus that has been identified through pupil and staff questionnaires and interviews for the academic year 2014-2015 is dance. The extra training that the staff will receive, and the availability of a dance club, will increase the children's enjoyment and motivation during dance sessions as well as their music and movement skills.

The dance club will be run after school. We expect this will become popular due to the increased focus of dance within school.

We have made links with St. Helen's Infant School about the possibility of running inter school competitions between the two schools. This is something that has worked well in previous years and will link closely with the gym and dance focus we have had.

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