

The Government wants the Sports Funding to be used in a way so that physical education (PE) in primary schools is improved by: increasing participation, involving the least active, improving resources and improving how PE is taught. The funding can also be used to promote a healthier lifestyle. It is hoped that the funding will leave a legacy, once the funding has been withdrawn, of healthier and fitter children who are more interested in sporting activities.

Holybrook received £17,720 funding to support to development of PE/sport/health in the academic year September 2018 to July 2019.

PE at Holybrook

We believe that every child has a right to the very best possible learning experiences and that everyone can succeed. At Holybrook we have always believed that we want our children to attain the highest standards in all that they do and become well rounded, healthy individuals. We believe that PE and school sport have a vital role to play in helping us to achieve our aims for our pupils. These important aspects of our curriculum teach our children to work together, enjoy and value competitive activities and develop a clear understanding of the importance of PE in ensuring their long-term health and well-being.

At Holybrook we value that sport and PE provide a great baseline for an active and healthy future, emphasising the importance of physical health and emotional wellbeing of our children. We are dedicated to raising standards in PE and ensuring that more children are becoming active and engaged in a multitude of sports. We strongly feel that a fun, varied and competitive PE curriculum and extra-curricular sporting activities have a positive influence on all children.

As part of our creative curriculum we plan and deliver a curriculum that includes 2 hours of PE for each child within the school week. Where possible, PE is taught as part of the creative curriculum theme linking to other curriculum areas, for example our pupils in year 1 took part in a dance unit of work based on The Lion King linked to the topic paws, claws and whiskers they were studying.

Use of PE funding

To improve our PE provision at Holybrook we are using our sports funding in the following ways:

- **Sports UK coach:** A specialist sports coach (from Sports UK) to be in school for two days a week providing weekly specialist PE coaching for Nursery to Year 6. Ensuring a full and wide PE curriculum is covered



based on the new National Curriculum guidelines. It also means teachers will teach alongside and extend their skills and knowledge. (£11,000)

- **LAP sports investment for competitions:** Working alongside the other schools in our



LAP to develop increased sports competitions across the schools.

Gifted & Talented children are given the opportunity to improve and practise with other children in the area. (£1690)

- **Pupil Play Sports Leaders:** We are introducing the Play Maker Award through which our pupils will be trained to become sports leaders in our school and as such increase participation in and enjoyment of sports at playtimes, lunchtimes and after school (£1000)

- **After school clubs:** We are increasing the number of after school sports clubs we offer in school across the key stages in order to develop participation in and a love for a sport from an early age, e.g. multi sports in Year 1. Pupils level of enjoyment increases and means they can access highly enjoyable after-school clubs no matter what age. These are very popular and means we will be able to participate in LAP sports festivals increasing their confidence, level of skill and fitness. (£2000)
- **Swimming lessons:** Year 5 children take part in weekly swimming lessons at the local swimming pool (£3,000)
- **Staff training:** This comes through our subscription to Sports UK and our LAP payments
- **Increase in PE equipment and playground equipment:** To modernise the sports hall so it looks clean, fresh and works so that there is more space for the children to take part and enjoy their PE lessons. (£1000)
- **Team PE Kits:** We have purchased football strips for our football teams to develop pupils sense of pride and to encourage increased participation in sport (£450)
- **Cycling clubs and training:** School has purchased 30 bikes, varying in size and had the staff trained to train the children in cycling skills and road safety (£7000)

What was the impact of the funding?

- All teachers involved improved their knowledge, skills and understanding of particular sports which previously they felt less confident about teaching. The teachers also benefitted from specialist advice and support from coaches over a sustained period of time with a regular PE coach in school.
- Additional after school clubs (3) ran throughout the year. This meant that approximately 60 children throughout the year were able to take part in clubs which normally would not have taken place.
- The increased hours of our Sports Coach meant that all classes in both KS1 and KS2 had access to a bespoke physical activity programme.
- Specific groups, including children from KS1 and the least active children, were identified and encouraged to take part in activities over a sustained period. Eight children from Year 1 took part in a LAP multi skills sports competition in the summer term and finished first. The success of this has led to more children in KS1 wanting to attend after school clubs and take part in competitive sports. A KS2 rounders team also came first in a LAP event in the summer term.