



Sports Premium Overview and Analysis 2016-2017

Overview

Following the success of our first few years using the sports grant, Uplands took the steps to develop our provisions even further to support PE in our school. Last year we were able to pledge over 300 hours of P.E. support and opportunities for our children by employing sports coaches through an outside agency. We have kept many of the initiatives we put in place during the previous academic year and built on them to refine the provision we offer by employing our own sports coach.

Our sports coach works closely as a co-subject leader with one of our teachers to ensure provisions are put in place and executed to the highest standard. Our coach teaches PE with staff to further develop the skills of staff members and increase attainment. This has led to smaller group sizes in all PE classes and better performances at tournaments.

This year, we have budgeted to spend our money on additional P.E. support across the school, provide free and subsidised extra-curricular clubs and events, enter more tournaments by having P.E. coaches accompanying children to events and provide some CPD support where required to further develop the skills of staff. This, in turn, has empowered our sports coach to provide additional training for trainee teachers within our Teaching School (the Forest Learning Alliance).

We have undertaken many Parent Council meetings to discuss extra-curricular sports provision and provided opportunities for parents based on their desires as well as meeting our curriculum objectives. We are pleased to offer, in addition to those provided last year, clubs and provisions for children from Reception – Year 6. These include subsidised clubs and ones paid for fully by the Sports Grant. Our clubs are now run termly to provide consistency and clarity for parents, based on feedback provided. In addition to this, we also run invite only clubs throughout the year for our Able, Gifted and Talented pupils.

This year, we have budgeted to spend our money on allocated Sports Ambassadors sessions throughout the week. The sessions are led by children in Year 5 and Year 6 at lunch and break times and are overlooked and supported by our Sports Coach. These sessions offer the Sports Ambassadors the opportunity to plan, lead and run sports events for their peers, as well as provide other children with a range of sports activities to participate in.

One of our personal goals is to ensure all the children in school are able to participate in competitive situations. Key Stage 1 children are able to partake in their sports day in July as well as small game work throughout the terms and Key Stage 2 children have all competed in numerous Inter-House competitions as

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well as those within the Borough, against other schools. In each class we aim to have representatives take part in cross-school competitions, and in Year 6 we aim to ensure each child has a chance to represent the school in their final year. We also take part in initiatives such as Sport Relief, to further increase our understanding and participation in sporting activities. Last academic year for Sports Relief, we ran a 'kick-start-a-thon' and competition games for all ages and we are looking to do something similar again this year.

We now offer a 'wake up club' which runs 08:00 – 08:40 on weekdays. Our sports coach runs these sessions and the aim of the 'club' is to provide an energetic start to the day with team games and activities involving accuracy and balance, amongst others. Research has proven that the high energy games as well as quiet games have a large impact on the children's attendance, focus and enthusiasm towards their time at school. Research has also proven that time spent interacting with peers in a before school environment has a positive impact on emotional wellbeing.

Within our School Council/Sports Council meetings, the children are given the opportunity to discuss sports-provision across the school. This includes discussions about equipment needed, extra-curricular clubs and any tournaments they want to participate in.

Our planning, which is robustly monitored, incorporates a strong emphasis on team play, developing and improving skills through personal bests and different types of competition, and also utilises our sports coach's qualifications as a personal trainer to build health and fitness aspects into our lessons.

Achievements and Impact of Funding

Uplands Primary is proud of its standing within the Bracknell Forest sporting community. Since the new grants, Uplands has achieved its highest results in tournaments for many years. In Tag Rugby, we came 3rd in our group and closely missed out on the semi-finals on tries scored.

This year, Cross Country has been a huge success. Our participation was extremely high in this event as we took 30 children. This is particularly impressive as we are a one form entry school. We achieved top 17 positions in our first tournament with our boys A team placing 9th. Last year, in the Lilly Hill Park event, we finished 14th out of 39 teams for the longer Lily Hill Park event. 14th was only just short of our best ever result, which was 12th and we are looking to do the same or better this year.

Last academic year, for the second year running, we won our football league as champions, with an unbeaten record and the most points accrued in that league for the past 6 years at least. This year, for the first time, we have made it through to the next stage of the cup and still remain unbeaten.

As well as this, in Indoor Athletics, in the last academic year, our Year 5/6 team qualified for the Finals (a separate event) and finished a respectable 10th, although our Year 3/4 team finished 3rd in the finals and brought home our first trophy for Indoor Athletics in many years. This truly highlights the impact of our sports

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grant as these children began their training in Reception/Year 1 with the first grant of funding and have had the benefit of improved sessions over the last few years.

In the Kwik Cricket last year, our participation was very high and we are looking to make it through to the quarter finals or better this year. Through utilising the boroughs offer of the cricket coach and B team entries, we were able to take a wide range of children from upper Key Stage 2 and even some Year 3 children (high participation/AGT).

Following lower participation in Netball, we are looking to increase uptake and enjoyment of Netball, culminating in stronger entries to tournaments and better placings.

In addition to this, we are also participating in the Year 5/6 Kick Start Festival this academic year.

Our pupil voice board regularly features comments from children regarding their enjoyment of PE and comments from parents on Facebook about the improvements and successes we have in sports.

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