

Primary School Sports Funding 2014/15

The significant impact of the funding on our school is detailed below:

1) Achievement of Blackburn with Darwen Sports School of the Year

- A great accolade in celebration of all we have achieved in P.E. and school sport this year.

2) Achievement of the Gold Kitemark award for the second consecutive year

- The Sainsbury's School Games Kitemark is owned and created by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) and is implemented and developed by the Youth Sport Trust and Sport England.
- The Kitemark rewards school for their commitment to and the development of competition, school sport and physical education and was first launched in June 2012 via the Sainsbury's School Games website.



3) Staff Training

- We have undertaken a staff skills and confidence audit.
- Specific training has subsequently been provided for staff including a qualified netball coach and a specialist dance coach with consultation, observation and team-teaching opportunities.
- CPD opportunities have been provided for staff to gain confidence and expertise in the teaching of P.E.
- Mentoring/advice/guidance
- This is a sustainable process.

4) Gifted and Talented Workshops

- Release time provided for staff to teach gifted and talented pupils in an array of areas.
- This works adjacent to the curriculum and the competition calendar with preparation for upcoming competitions.

5) More frequent intra-school competitions

- We have run an intra-school competition linked to the Sports Hall Athletics
- We have run a Junior Dodgeball competition as part of our Comic Relief Day.
- A big emphasis has been placed on boosting competition in school.
- A competitive edge has been given to Sports Day.

6) Inclusion and Participation rates

- The Gold Kitemark acknowledged that participation rates for Sport in school were excellent in games, gymnastics, dance and athletics.
- We follow an inclusive P.E. curriculum to meet needs of all pupils.
- We have increased the provision of afterschool sports clubs to meet demands and needs of all.
- This is an ongoing process.

7) S.L.A. (Service Level Agreement)

- This has been organised by School Games Organiser Andrew Mercer.
- This included the provision of local authority competitions to meet the needs of different abilities (e.g. B and C football competition).
- Staff CPD opportunities have been provided including qualified netball and dance coaches.
- Exciting extra-curricular activities and trips have been provided.

8) Club Links

- We now have a number of high quality working partnerships with local clubs in the community.
- One such partnership includes our link with Blackburn Hawks Ice Hockey Club. This has resulted in free coaching sessions being provided for our pupils to participate in this exciting alternative sport.
- We promote the clubs to pupils and hope this will encourage participation.
- It is a mutually beneficial relationship.