

PE and Sports Premium

Sport and increased physical activity have long been recognised as important areas to promote through education and beyond. Physical activity and playing sports are beneficial for the health of individuals but also has the capacity to bring communities together. The London 2012 Olympics and Paralympics created increased excitement about sport and inspired many to take up and participate in activities they had never tried before. The government recognised the importance of maintaining that interest and ensuring that the legacy of the Games continued, and so have invested millions of pounds into schools through the PE and Sport Premium. Since 2013 primary schools have been entitled to this funding in order to make additional and sustainable improvements to the quality of PE and sport they offer.

For more information about the PE and Sport Premium, please click here.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/pe-and-sport-premium-for-primary-schools>

Physical development, which includes PE, swimming, MOVE and Sensory Processing work is vital to the children at Willow Dene. Through participation in PE, our children develop their motor skills and learn how to control their bodies in different and more refined ways, through personalised and engaging activities. They also acquire key values such as respect, co-operation and kindness. Our facilities are highly specialised and have been chosen to meet the wide variety of needs our children have. The PE and Sports Premium has meant that we are able to invest in specific areas we would like to develop as a school that will have long term effects on the health, well-being, learning and development of our children.

In order to assess the impact of the PE and Sports Premium we are able to reference pupil attainment using our Learning Journey assessment, which is recorded using Evidence for Learning, as well as through our Annual Reviews, MOVE assessments and discussions with staff and parents. We are then able to see if there are specific areas that children need to develop and if there are trends throughout the school.

Key achievements to date	Areas for further improvement and baseline evidence of need
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Investment in high quality robust equipment to meet the specialised needs of our children – such as the medi-motion bikes- Investment into resources to support a wider range of sports and fitness activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Increased secondary swimming opportunities, through the development of an on-site provision.- Staff training to become more confident in delivering high quality teaching and fitness opportunities for all children, through specialised input from professionals

Year 2023-24

We will receive £18,230 in sports premium funding.

How we invested the money	The impact on the children's PE and sport participation and attainment	Sustainability?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To expand the service of our personal fitness provision to provide targeted support to children, families and staff: - Money towards a new fitness officer who will take on a role that will support children, families and staff across the school (approx £6,500) <p>The advertisement and interviewing process was complete on more than one occasion, however, due to unsuitability we did not fulfil this role and therefore the money was not spent.</p>	<p>Future plans include a fitness specialist across both school sites who can support children, young people and staff in delivering high quality fitness and movement activities.</p>	<p>TBC</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To develop our community links for our new sixth form and encourage their independence and confidence within the community. - Money towards specialist equipment being based in the community e.g. medimotion bike in local gym alongside accessible muscle toning equipment (approx. £5,500) <p>A medimotion bike was purchased and is being utilised.</p>	<p>Young people have benefitted from the use of the medi-motion bike and with a further expansion in sixth form, more and more young people will benefit from this. There have also been links made with community fitness providers including Better Gym.</p>	<p>The expanding sixth form will allow more young people to access this provision, it can also be used for KS4 classes to encourage independence and community living.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To develop the skills of staff in order to support the delivery of PE across both school sites - Online personal training/nutrition training/specialist workouts (£1,999 pp) - Two members of staff (£3,998) - Cover to allow staff to complete course £140 per day (approx 5 days for combined - £700) - Total (approx. £4,698) - <p>This money was not spent and we hope to achieve this in 2024/2025.</p>	<p>Children will have access to staff who have greater knowledge of their health and fitness needs. Staff will be able to share their knowledge with other staff members and the wider school community, in order for everyone to benefit</p>	<p>Knowledge will be shared and the expansion of the provision to write individual plans will improve across the school. This will improve the practice of a greater number of staff overall. Children are already beginning to see improved PE and fitness delivery from staff</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To develop outside spaces at the secondary site within the shared playground. - Hard wearing equipment (Approx. £1000) - Additional equipment and storage (approx. £500) - Total (£1500) <p>Equipment was purchased and has been used across the secondary site.</p>	<p>Children have access to high quality, sustainable equipment to support them in their learning of a wider range of sports. Children have access to playground equipment that invites them to be more active and share active experiences.</p>	<p>Equipment purchased has been hard wearing and sustainable. Storage has been purchased where appropriate to ensure equipment is stored safely and securely to avoid unnecessary damage.</p>

Year 6 Swimming Data:

All our Year 6 children are still working towards swimming 25 metres independently. They are also working towards using a variety of strokes and safe rescue in a variety of water-based situations.