

## PE Funding 2016-17

Every school receives an annual grant from the Government to improve PE teaching and learning. This is a great opportunity for us to extend both staff and children's experience as well as their knowledge of sports, fitness and health in a way that we would never be able to do before.

**The funding we have received this academic year, 2016-17 is: £8359.** We are using this money as follows:

- **Improving equipment and resources, indoors and outdoors.**

We have been able to update our equipment for games skills. We have also developed resources for Outdoor Learning in the Early Years.

Our school is situated in a very built-up area. Few families have access to large gardens or safe, open spaces for physical play and activity. When children start our Nursery or school, we find that their physical development is generally below age related expectations set by the DfE in Development Matters. Our pupil data shows that children make good progress in Physical Development, a prime area of learning, reaching the expected level before the end of the Foundation Stage.

We have worked hard to improve opportunities for the development of fine-motor control skills. These are linked directly to success in early writing. Children need to be able to hold and manipulate a pencil. High quality resources for use both indoors and out ensure their young hands and arms have the strength and dexterity they need. Children enter school below or significantly below the age-related expectations for writing and again make good progress towards the expected level by the end of Foundation Stage.

- **Improving the skills of our teachers in Gymnastics and Games by employing a specialist PE teacher who team teaches alongside our staff in PE lessons.**

We have employed a sports specialist to teach alongside our staff. Emily Heckler has played football for the England Women's Team and is a fantastic role model for our girls, encouraging them to challenge stereotypes and get involved in different sports.

She teaches games and athletics skills e.g. football, rugby, cricket, hockey, javelin, archery amongst others alongside our class teachers and teaching assistants. She points out the health benefits of an active lifestyle encouraging our young children to notice changes in their bodies as they exercise. Staff confidence is growing rapidly and these skills will ensure PE and sports are taught at Tuel Lane Infants with energy, skill and enthusiasm well into the future.

Observations of teaching and learning and pupil surveys show that our children enjoy PE, sports and Outdoor Learning. They participate willingly. Engagement and enthusiasm are clearly to see. Behaviour is good. Standards are rising. Attendance at our after school multi-skills club is high and sustained.

- **Running subsidised After School Clubs that are open to all our pupils.**

Richard Whitely is a Sports Coach who has much experience with very young children. He teaches football skills and leads our popular and over-subscribed football club. We ensure that all children have opportunity to join in with his classes and clubs and that financial difficulty never stops our children accessing and enjoying high quality sports teaching.

Richard presents awards and trophies that motivate our children to persevere and achieve. We celebrate in our weekly Achievement Assembly with children and families. For many of our children, Richard offers their first experience of organised sports activity. We note that an ever-increasing number of our young pupils go on to join football, rugby and dance clubs locally.

| Annual Costs  |       |
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| Multi-Sports and Games, working alongside our staff- Thursday | £3420 |

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| mornings. R-Y2   |              |
| Out of school multi-sports club, up to 30 children, per week                       | £980         |
| In- school Football Coaching, each class has 6x1 hour lessons over the school year | £760         |
| Out of school Football Club, up to 30 children each week                           | £2520        |
|  | Total: £7680 |
| Resources  | £679         |
|  | £8359        |

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