

Sports Premium At Riversides School



PRIMARY SPORTS FUNDING 2025/26

At Riversides School, we pride ourselves on promoting healthy lifestyles through the taught curriculum, extra-curricular activities and participation in sports festivals and inter and intra competitions. Our school vision is to create a physical education curriculum that motivates, enthuses and develops every child to become a lifelong learner and participator.

We aim to give opportunities for all pupils to develop their physical, leadership and coaching skills. As a school we want to create a buzz about physical activities where every child feels confident and ready to participate.

***Primary Support Premium** - Since September 2013 every primary school received £8000 funding plus £5 per pupil aged 5 and over on roll to help raise and develop the delivery of high-quality PE in school.

***The Purpose of this Funding** - We are obliged to spend the additional funding on improving their provision of PE, sport and outdoor learning, and we have the freedom to choose how we do this.

At Riversides School we believe in the importance of developing pupils' physical competence and confidence across a wide range of activities. Staff try to ensure PE is delivered to the pupils in an engaging / inspiring way.

The school has worked hard to develop our Physical Education through curriculum time. The school currently provides a minimum of 2 hours of PE every week throughout Key Stage 2 and 3, which is often boosted by the amount of outdoor learning that our pupils receive. In Key Stage 4 we are also working towards a qualification in 'Sports Studies' and the pupils already do Duke of Edinburgh.

An example of some of the activities Riversides School currently offers are listed below.

Sports include gymnastics / dance / swimming and games such as: -

*Football *Hockey *Rugby *Lacrosse *Cricket *Dodgeball *Table Tennis *Badminton
*Tennis *Rounders *Baseball *Basketball *Netball *Golf *Athletics (track and field)

We also have a 'HOUSES' system to develop this adventurous, competitive spirit further. The three houses are - Warriors / Wolves / Rapids which represent sports clubs (past & present) in the region. We have made connections with these three organisations to further encourage our pupils to compete fairly but confidently in a variety of activities - three activities a half term - around 18 an academic year.

In 2024/25 we spent the premium on the following;

- Listening to the voices of pupils / parents / school staff to purchase resources that will inspire participation
- Develop our connections with the local community through more 'HOUSES' events, more out of school activities, more interaction with other educational establishments and more local businesses and people
- Restock equipment that is essential for the running of the abundance of games / sports planned whilst following the curriculum
- Obtain the services of specialist coaches outside of the school staff team to enhance pupils' opportunities to try something new - this could be away from school or during tutor periods at the start / end of the day, before / after school clubs, break / lunch time clubs
- Train school staff so pupils receive the best learning possible
- Use P.E / games to inspire learning in other subjects such as numeracy or literacy during focused interventions but through a hands-on theme
- Accessing local leisure facilities to further develop pupil's education
- Further create our breaktime activities, play focus by constructing active environments
- A few examples of actual money spent are:
 - Redgate coaching £1,177.50
 - Bikability training £160
 - Swimming facility £1,188
 - Basketball hoops £336.17
 - Head guards £89.38 and Punch bag £100.88
 - Football nets £95.75

In 2025/2026 we will aim to spend it on where we need to develop this subject in future:

Having looked at our current practices in relation to national expectations of sport provision within Primary Schools, we identified a few areas for development.

These include:

- Attempt to participate in inter school competitions (in our local community we compete in sports games against similar SEMH schools)
- Ensuring that we continue to provide high quality outdoor learning (every year group has been on many trips off the school site, and our Outdoor Pursuits continues to develop and inspire many of our pupils)
- Developing the breadth of curriculum and equipment available to pupils (a focus being on the GCSE Sports Studies course that our pupils have been doing for the last 3 years))

The expected impact:

When all these objectives have been met, we expect to see an even wider range of pupils are interested in sport. We hope that there will be a greater opportunity for parents to have more involvement in sporting activities and that all the staff will feel far more confident with the PE that they are delivering. We expect to see a wider range of pupils taking up sport outside of school and most importantly we want to drive home all the fundamental values that underpin all sport which are so important, those of teamwork, unity and driving forward towards even greater achievements. The children of Riversides School will benefit greatly from entering the wider community as this will develop both sporting and social opportunities