

## Sport Premium 2015-16

The Government provided additional funding of £150 million per annum for the academic years 2013 to 2014 and 2014 to 2015 to improve provision of physical education (PE) and sport in primary schools. The Conservative Government has pledged to continue this funding through to 2016 (2020 if they are re-elected). This funding – provided jointly by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport – is allocated to primary school Headteachers. The money must be used to improve the provision of P.E. and school sport.

You can access the Government website at <https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/getting-more-people-playing-sport/supporting-pages/school-pe-and-sport-funding>

P.E. and school sport play a very important part in the life of Knowles Primary School. We believe that P.E. and school sport contribute to the development of our children and through participation, our children build and learn more about our key values such as respect, co-operation and kindness for themselves and others. We also believe it has a positive influence on the concentration, attitude and academic achievement of all our children. At Knowles we aim to make sustainable improvement which enables children to learn in the present and take what they have learnt through to their future.

‘Britain has some of the best athletes and sports teams in the world, so it is no surprise that sport plays such a big role in our national life and that people in our country are such passionate sports participants and supporters.

Sport brings many social benefits to people and communities. It helps people perform better at work or school, and lead happier, healthier lives. And supporting sports teams and athletes bridges social divides, bringing people and communities together, both locally and nationally.’  
(Conservative Sports Manifesto)

We have been able to use the sports premium funding of **£9,353** to support and plan for the development of P.E. and school sport in the following ways:-

- Subscription to the Milton Keynes School Sport Partnership to enable qualified sports coaches to work alongside staff to plan and deliver high quality P.E. lessons such as dance and gymnastics for Year 2-6 children. Working in this way, teachers had the opportunity to further develop their confidence and expertise providing an enhanced offer in the children’s lessons. Subscription to the Milton Keynes School Sport Partnership enables opportunities for KS2 to participate competitively across a range of sports such as football, hockey, badminton, hockey, basketball, quicksticks, handball, athletics, dodgeball and netball as well as providing gymnastics and dance support for KS1 and KS2 teachers. The partnership has also enabled Knowles to embrace inclusive PE in lessons and in outside events such as the Challenge Day for children with special educational needs.

- A Sports Specialist Teacher has worked from September 2014 teaching Quality First P.E. and sports lessons, as well as running a wide variety of extra-curricular clubs.
- Our Sports Specialist Teacher has now completed a Level 5 PE course and has moved on to finish the Level 6 by December 2015. The course has allowed for a greater focus on working alongside the Sports Premium initiative to make PE sustainable and impact our children in the greatest way possible.
- In Summer 2015 a PE Teaching Assistant was appointed to further the provision we offer in both curricular and extra-curricular PE.
- To increase participation levels in sport and healthy activity of pupils, and maintain these.
- During September 2014 we identified a need to encourage our children to be active and lead a healthy lifestyle. We continue to advocate an active lunchtime – offering a greater variety of choice (children now have access to our new features including a Sports MUGA, outside netball court and play fort). Lunchtime sporting opportunities are also now fully subscribed.
- Staff have attended a wide variety of CPD courses including badminton, gymnastics, korfbal, rugby, dance and athletics in preparation for a wider, more exciting PE curriculum next year.
- The long term plan has been changed to reflect the need for children to learn to swim at a younger age. Many of our children have not had the opportunity to swim before they arrive with us.
- We are training more staff to coach swimming at Level 1 and Level 2 in order to run specific booster groups during 2015-16 and add to the children's confidence and experience.
- Raising the profile of Athletics in school to embrace more competitive and community led sports days. A variety of new technical Athletics equipment including shot puts, rubber javelins and a full sized long jump pit and run up. Extra emphasis on the importance of Athletics has added to the quality of our teaching and learning.
- Transport to maximize the amount of events we have attended outside of school. Knowles is now a well-known face in competition and has had successes in friendly hockey, korfbal, handball, rounders, football and netball matches against other schools. We have become 2015 Bletchley Cup Korfbal Champions and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in the Milton Keynes Korfbal cup. We have also hosted our first Rounders School Tournament.

## EQUIPMENT PURCHASED FROM 2015

- Volleyballs to develop and challenge our upper KS2 children. Improving co-ordination and mastering more specific skills.
- Athletics equipment including: shot puts, rubber javelins, speed bounce mats, high jump equipment and an outdoor long jump pit and run up.
- Boccia Set – enabling the introduction of ‘Disability Sports Week’ in our LTP.
- Introduction to Lacrosse set – improving the variety of our LTP for the children.
- Reaction balls to improve our overall approach to fun fitness.
- Hockey equipment – hockey sticks and goalkeeper kit, quick-sticks balls to introduce hockey at a younger age, gum-shields.
- Replenished footballs and rugby balls for the new school year.
- Futsal balls to develop the existing football skills.
- Dance equipment – creative movement bag for KS1 and KS2.
- Multi Skills equipment – trolley set up for class and club use containing a wide variety of equipment such as frisbees, blindfolds, quoits, beanbags and a selection of different balls.
- Netball equipment – team bibs for using at sports festivals.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- There is a more enthusiastic atmosphere towards sport at Knowles and children are eager to strive to improve themselves and their results through competitions.
- The high uptake of extra-curriculum activities and the introduction of Year 5 sports leaders and helpers have meant an increase in cross-year group interactions and friendships through sport.
- More children with behaviour and social needs are participating in lunch time sports clubs.
- Children are more willing to try in lessons increasing our overall resilience and courage,
- Knowles have successfully hosted their first hockey, korfbal and netball fixtures, winning matches in all events.
- Ability to achieve sustained activity in P.E. and extra-curricular clubs has improved across year groups due to the availability of sports clubs during lunch and after school.
- The school was able to raise over £600 for British Heart Foundation through a sponsored dodgeball tournament.
- Case studies of particular children have shown their ability to concentrate in some class based lessons has improved due to engagement and enjoyment in physical activities throughout the school week.
- Staff have identified children whose maturity and confidence has improved in PE lessons due to responsibilities given to children through sport.

- Sports Leaders and Helpers have been established in Year 5 to enable the celebration of sporting achievements through KS2.
- Knowles is now a well-known face in both Sports festivals and friendly matches in Milton Keynes. We have hosted our first friendly matches in hockey, netball, handball and korfball as well as our first Rounders tournament.
- Our sports teams have developed in skill and resilience. They have grown as people and have displayed fantastic sportsmanship whether in loss or victory.
- A successful new approach to Sports Day with positive responses from children and parents alike.