

St James C of E Junior School, Whitehaven  
Sports Premium Statement  
2021-2022



## Introduction

Sports premium funding was first allocated in September 2013 to help schools increase participation in sport and physical activity, encourage healthy life styles, increase opportunities for competitive sport and to raise standards. The funding is £16,000 plus £10 per pupil.

## Our Vision

At St James we are proud of how we use the sports funding. Over recent years, the money has given **every** child the opportunity to take part in sport and physical activity outside of the school setting; all children have been able to enjoy adventurous activities such as lake kayaking and mountain walking. We have also tried to encourage more unusual sports including: climbing, paddle boarding, crown-green bowling, judo, Zumba, and wheelchair basketball. We try to enhance theme topics with use of the sports premium funding, for example, when studying Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo; the children had a go at indoor kayaking to try and understand the characters feelings as he rowed out to sea and as an introduction to Mirror Mask by Neil Gaiman; the children experienced a range of circus skills to inspire and enthuse the start of the topic. Outside of curriculum time we deliver a range of clubs which are supported by outside agencies such as Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project. We have also spent time and money on improving break time provision to help promote physical activity during these times and to enable children to meet the active 60 minutes per day.

## How we spent the money in 2021-2022 (Allocation £17,580 + plus 2020/2021 carryover (£4,711.24) – All allocated funding spent by 20th July 2022

- Professional fees and subsidised extra-curricular activities to help coach, promote and inspire the children including: cricket, judo and table tennis, wheelchair basketball sessions and Alpaca visits— £1,551
- Transport fees to allow opportunity for competitive sport/events which have included cricket, football and tag rugby— £629.74
- Special whole school transport to Latrigg to allow whole school to climb fell and raise over £2000 for Children in Need - £750

- New equipment to raise the standard of P.E. lessons and provide resources for inside play in wet weather - £2,022.50
- Enhancements to trim trail to ensure it continues to provide safe and fun play for children from many years to come - £3850
- Resources and staffing to Launch the Craze It Scheme which focuses on a weekly craze and includes parachutes, go karts, games, throwing and skipping – noted on the most recent Ofsted inspection that the scheme ensures all children can be involved (in fun and physical activity) during break times which helps children meet the active 60 minutes - £5,659.74
- Enhanced swimming provision – above and beyond the statutory expectation for each child to have the opportunity to learn to swim and learn about water safety at during their primary schooling, at St James’ Juniors we offer this opportunity every year to all children and use Sports Premium funding to subsidise this important and valuable skill - £7,560

### Impact on the children

- Success at competition level. Examples include: male and female football tournaments as well as tag rugby
- Swimming staff commented on the high ability of our children thanks to the extra sessions we offer
- Positive effect on children’s mental health thanks to the wide variety offered as well as the whole school walk up Latrigg
- Positive responses in P.E. interviews in regards to physical activity offered at break times and quality and variety of P.E. sessions

### How we plan to spend the money in 2022-2023 (Allocation £17,580)

- Transport to competitions and events to maintain competitive success
- Continue to use specialised coaches to develop skills of teachers and children
- Increased swimming hours to allow every class intensive swimming block per academic year
- Further develop outdoor spaces to create a positive environment for break times
- Develop staff CPD to strengthen curriculum teaching for years to come

### Sustainability

At St James we want to make sure our use of the sports funding has a long term benefit to all children, even those still to start their education at St James. That’s why we are keen to strengthen our ever-growing relationship with Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project to ensure children have a place to take part in extracurricular physical activity during and beyond their time with us. We work with sports coaches to allow teachers to develop their own skill sets which will enable them to deliver better P.E. lessons in the future. The continued payment for transport to sports competitions will inspire future

cohorts through continued success. The development of the schools outdoor space has been a great success. The installation and enhancements of the trim trail has allowed: greater physical exertion, improved balance, core body strength and physical confidence during break and lunch times for our children. The recently launched 'Craze it' break time initiative has improved physical activity at break times allowed children to meet the active 60 minutes per day.

<b>Meeting national curriculum requirements for swimming and water safety (Year 6)</b>	
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres?	70%
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke]?	63%
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations?	68%
Schools can choose to use the Primary PE and Sport Premium to provide additional provision for swimming but this must be for activity <b>over and above</b> the national curriculum requirements. Have you used it in this way?	Yes Every year group swims every year – the additional sessions are subsidised. We also provide an open water safety/swim session for UPKS2