



Impact of School PE Funding 2019-2020

With this funding we aim to improve the provision of PE and sport in our school. This academic year, ALL children would have had the opportunity to participate in whole school competitions. However, due to COVID 19, this unfortunately has not happened. As always, our aim would have been for 100% of pupils in KS2 to have taken part in school competitions, but due to the current climate, 48% of pupils were able to take part within the shortened school year.

At Elm Academy, we have always promoted the importance of sport within our school community. We believe that every child should lead a healthy and active lifestyle and here at Elm, we endeavour to provide learning opportunities and experiences to enhance this. Sportsmanship, communication and teamwork are all fundamental skills that physical activity supports, it teaches children to follow rules and respect others. Team games support the social aspect of active learning through participating in competitive sports, which has always been and will continue to be a key focus within our school.

New equipment would have been bought to encourage and support children to participate in physical activity. Again, due to COVID 19, this unfortunately has not happened. We joined the School Sports Games to be able to participate with and compete against other local schools. This is enjoyed by the children at Elm and was a highlight of their school year. Evidence of this was the participation in events such as Indoor athletics, Can Do Football and Cross Country Leagues.

We continue to establish the Bronze Sports Ambassadors, who assist teachers in the delivery of lunchtime clubs, they also run their own lunchtime clubs. These are aimed at encouraging less active KS1 children at playtimes and are designed to encourage participation and build up confidence. This enables the Bronze Ambassadors to develop their leadership and organisational skills.

The Sports Premium Funding would have allowed us to continue improving the quality of our PE provision. The school received £19,000 and we planned to spend it on ensuring good quality PE and health education across our school.

Within the cohort for the academic year 2019/2020, our qualified swimming instructor taught Y4 children to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over 25 metres while also using a range of strokes effectively, also to be competently perform self-rescue in different water-based situations. Our aim would have been to have a minimum of 75% of children being able to confidently meet the end of KS2 criteria. However, due to school closure in March, the Year 4 cohort were unable to complete their course

Within the playtime provision, pupils have been playing small-sided games and learning how to win and lose appropriately. Children are building up their independence to begin team games themselves by incorporating key skills from their lessons and transferring them into playground games. We provide a choice of activities including football, basketball, hockey and netball, we continue to encourage every child to be active during their playtimes. We have a variety of equipment for children who wouldn't choose to play in competitive team games to encourage participation for all.

Below is a summary of how we have spent the Sport Premium Funds and how the Sports Premium is having an impact on the quality, participation, skill development and enjoyment of PE at Elm Academy:

Elm Academy are proud to offer our children a wide range of extra-curricular activities which are led by our Curriculum Enrichment Co-ordinator. All of our clubs are very popular with our children and during 2019/20, 71% of our children participated in at least one club. This and the employment of staff within Ambitions Academy Trust has enabled us to offer the vast majority of our clubs free of charge and include not only sports clubs designed to engage children further with team games but also clubs that celebrate the creative arts and those which further a love of learning. The extra-curricular clubs which were offered to all pupils, free of charge, were: football, tag rugby, athletics, dodgeball, gymnastics, rounders, tennis, choir, arts and crafts, cross country and cricket.

Over the academic year Elm run additional sporting clubs, allowing our children the chance to experience and enjoy a wider range of sports. This also provides them with the opportunity to succeed and excel in competitive sport whilst also receiving professional tuition at a minimal cost. These sports have included gymnastics and football.

We are proud of our sporting achievements at Elm Academy and during 2019-20, our children participated in the following competitions and events:

| Event | Number of children | Number of Events |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Cross country | 12 | 4 |
| Football Predator | 30 | 3 |
| Football Can do | 7 | 1 |
| Invitation Cup | 7 | 1 |
| Indoor Athletics | 21 | 2 |
| Bronze Ambassadors | 11 | 1 |
| Tag Rugby | 8 | 1 |
| Inter Academy Tournament | 45 | 4 |

On 5th July 2020, the education Secretary confirmed that the primary PE & Sport Premium would continue at £320 million for the 2020/21 academic year. The purpose of the funding remains the same, to make additional sustainable improvements to the quality of PE, physical activity and sport within your school to ensure that all young people have the opportunity to live healthy and active lives.