PE AND SCHOOL SPORT FUNDING STRATEGY

AT WESTMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL 2020-21

PE and School Sport funding 2020/21

The government have continued to provide PE and Sport funding to Schools for the year 2020-21 Westmoor Primary school has been given a further £18,650 to continue to enhance provision of PE and sport throughout the school.

The government states that schools must use the funding to make additional and sustainable improvements to the quality of physical education (PE), physical activity and sport offered.

The information below outlines how Westmoor Primary School have, and intend to spend the PE and sport funding for 2020-21.

- Renewing equipment to encourage physical activity at playtimes including rolling rings, jumbo footballs.
- Command Jo programme, used to enhance resilience, teamwork and provide further physical opportunities for children when hall out of action due to pandemic.
- Replenishing of consumable resources.
- Increased storage required to housed the increase in amount and variety of equipment.
- Semi-permanent play structure.
- Outside providers for hula hooping day and skipping festival.

Impact of PE and School Sport Funding 2020-21

Children have been really eager to get physically active with the range of PE/play equipment provided and used during extended playtimes following the pandemic.

“I like rolling around, I have to use my hands to push it forwards.” (Reception child on trying the rolling rings.

“The big footballs are really bouncy and you have to chase them. It’s not like playing normal football.” (Year 3 child).

The children have loved the Commando Jo lessons across school. They are very excited to find out which pieces of equipment will be used each lesson and are very imaginative in solving problems and making decisions about the best ways to use equipment.

“It was really good fun when we tried to build shelters with all of the things in the box. We tried not to argue with each other. It was really difficult trying to get the things to balance.

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It was identified that children seemed to be lacking upper-body strength—struggling to hold hands up in lessons. A play structure was ordered and placed on field providing opportunities for children to climb, hang, balance etc. It's a very popular zone at playtimes, Structure was also incoroporated into PE lessons while hall was not be used through COVID.

"I really like to go on the climbing frame. I have to stretch my arms really high to hold onto the ropes". (Year 2 child).

Year 2 began work on a new initiative—Year 2 skipping festival but unfortunately the event was cancelled due to COVID. We will hope to take on this event post-pandemic.

To enthuse and excite the children a hula-hooping day was booked for the return to school in September, following the event there was a great uptake in hula-hooping at playtimes where children were keen to practice the skills they had learnt during the day.

"I didn't know how to make the hula-hoop stay up but now when I try it doesn't just drop on the ground and now I can spin it around me 6 times. I'm going to practice and try to get even better". (Year 5 child)

Swimming

Current Year 4 - 80% of pupils have achieved the required standard for end of KS2. As COVID restrictions were being lifted there was the opportunity for longer, more intensive swimming lessons for a group of 20 Year 4 children. Further top ups will be offered in Year 5/6.

Current Year 6 - 80% of pupils achieved the required standard for the end of KS2. Children were unable to have any top up lessons as pool did not fully open.

The information in the PE AND SCHOOL SPORT FUNDING TABLE outlines how Westmoor Primary School have, and intend to spend—the PE and sport funding for 2020-21. We hope to build on this provision in 2021-22 and use funding to increase opportunities for physical activities and tackle the negative impact of COVID.