

Sports Funding, Impact and Sustainability:

For the 16/17 academic year Maple School received £8,910 PE and Sport Premium Funding.

All of this funding has been used to pay for a) the salary of the Sports Apprentice, and b) weekly half day non-contact time for the PE Co-ordinator.

What is the impact been so far:

Pupils and staff at Maple are continuing to see the benefits of the increased funding, throughout their PE lessons, extra-curricular clubs and through competitions.

We have allocated the funding as detailed above, to ensure that it goes towards a health and sporting focused legacy, providing quality provision for the future, rather than just a 'quick fix'.

School Games Mark:

We have recently acquired, for the third consecutive year, the School Games Mark. This is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of school sport and competition across their school and community. The award takes into account the quality and amount of curricular and extra-curricular provision provided for the school, as well as looking at areas such as the management and children taking on organisational roles in the school sport.

Clubs / Competition / Participation:

- Lunchtime clubs running every day for all KS1 and 2 year groups. **98% of KS2 children took part in at least 1 weekly club last year!**
- Providing free after-school football coaching for Years 5 and 6 through specialist coaching provided by Sports 121.
- After school netball club for Years 4, 5 and 6 throughout the year.
- District Sport Athletics club for children in Years 3-6 in the Summer Term.
- Entry into multiple competitions including: quik cricket, mini athletics, Hi5 netball and rounders.
- New Sports Leaders group formed and multiple events run by them, including lunch time clubs and inter-class competitions.

- We have also had numerous successes within our sports teams last year. In the Spring Term 16 the netball team won the end of season tournament and came 2nd (only on goal difference!) in the league; the Year 4 and 5 netball team also won their tournament! Our Cross Country boys' team came runners up in the St Albans Cross Country League. Our swimming team won the St Albans School's swimming gala. Our District Sports team came overall runners up and our Year 4 boys also won the relay trophy.

Resources:

We have also been able to support our teaching and clubs at Maple through the purchasing of some new equipment. This includes: netballs, footballs, football goals, Reception play / movement apparatus, dodgeballs and a crash mat for gymnastics and high jump.

Professional Development:

- Training for netball coaches through England Netball.
- Coaching for 5 staff members in Tag Rugby.
- KS1 and 2 PE training for 2 staff members.
- PE staff meeting provided for all teachers - gymnastics focussed.
- PE coordinator training through our School Sport Partnership every term.
- Hertfordshire PE conference / training attended by the Head Teacher and PE Coordinator.
- Staff who teach PE have been provided with Maple kit.

Principally, the funding has provided the Maple staff with access to the following specialist provision:

PE Coordinator

Supply cover for Mrs Marie Herbert has been paid for through the funding - half a day non-contact time per week to focus on improving PE and school sport. Mrs. Herbert is a PE specialist with a 1st class Sports Science degree and, prior to training to become a teacher, worked for 3 years as a specialist school sport development officer across a secondary school and its cluster of primaries in Cardiff, improving sporting provision.

Now in the fourth year of our improvement programme, she has worked alongside 5 colleagues in both Key Stages to assist with the preparation and

delivery of lessons. She has also monitored PE provision throughout the school (through internal monitoring, staff evaluations and pupil voice) and prepared our successful applications for the School Games Mark Silver Level Award (October 2014, 2015 and 2016)

School Sport Apprentice

This initiative has been one of the biggest benefits of the Sports Premium Funding.

We have had 2 exceedingly successful apprentices over the last 3 years; Miss Charlotte Sparks and Miss Aeilish Wynne. We are lucky enough to still employ both at Maple as Teaching Assistants.

Last year Miss Wynne was able to expand the extra-curricular provision we could provide at lunchtimes. We saw the introduction of clubs in multi- skills, ultimate frisbee, indoor athletics, football and basketball leagues, ball skills, and Y3/4 netball to name a few.

The Sports Apprentice acts as the TA for all PE lessons throughout the school, setting up equipment for lessons and helping the class teacher through assistance and differentiation either supporting those who need more help, or challenging the most able. With a Sports Apprentice, most units of work are able to come to a conclusion of intra-class competitions. We have seen tag-rugby, athletics, fitness and football competitions to name a few.

This year we welcomed Mr James Davis as our new apprentice to Maple. We are looking forward to the additional opportunities he will be able to offer the children of Maple, utilising and making the most of his numerous sports' coaching awards.

School Clubs and Teams

Extra-curricular clubs / Teams

Extra-curricular:

We offer a wide selection of extra-curricular clubs at Maple, at lunchtime and after school. The free lunchtime clubs are constantly changing to cater to the wishes of the children and to prepare for the upcoming events and fixtures we might want to enter. We are aiming for all children to have attended at least 1 weekly extra-curricular sporting club before the end of the year! 98% of KS2

children achieved this last year! See the PE noticeboard or the office for more details on any of these.

Teams:

Again this year Maple are looking to enter as many sporting events as possible. As always we are entering football and netball teams, District Sport athletics teams, indoor athletics teams, Rock Challenge Dance, cross country teams and a team into the Swimming Gala. However, with lots more opportunities open to us locally, we can look forward to entering many more intra and inter-school events!

Check out our sports noticeboard and Monday Messages for additional information on the forthcoming events and competitions.

Sustainability:

Here at Maple we are huge believers of using our PE and Sport Premium Funding for long term, sustainability projects, rather than 'quick fix' solutions. We hope that the provisions that we have put in place will ensure that the standards of PE and school sport at Maple are felt throughout the whole school and will ingrain long term change in attitude, conceptions and confidence in sport, PE and their teaching, with both staff and children.

The training, team teaching and support offered for teachers and staff is ensuring that standards of PE teaching are consistently high throughout the school. We do not believe that using external providers to cover PE lessons is a valuable resource. Instead, through working with the teaching staff we are ensuring long term skill development, a passion for teaching the subject and hence improving the performance standard from our pupils.

Through working with the Sports Apprenticeship Scheme we have added to the support that staff and children are receiving in PE lessons. The Sports Apprenticeship is able to work with target groups of children within lessons, allowing higher and lower ability children to be pushed at their level to make outstanding progress within the lesson, adding to the sustainability of improving standards in PE throughout the school.

The Sports Apprentice also allows us to offer a higher amount and a broader range of extra-curricular lunchtime clubs. This has meant more children have engaged in new activities, improving their skill sets and passion for different sports. Our overall aim is to develop our pupils' love of sport; leading to them developing a passion for physical activity as a long life habit, with all the long-term health benefits this will bring.

Marie Herbert