

Lambley Primary School: Sports Grant 2024-25 Report

•	No of pupils on roll	194
•	Total amount of sports premium grant received	£17,570
•	Total amount of sports premium carry forward	£0
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^{*}For a detailed breakdown of actions, funds allocated, evidence and impact, see PE and sports action plan 2021-22 (on school website).

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The year began with school focusing on maximising sports and fitness opportunities throughout the different parts of the day (before, during and after school). We extended our before school fitness club; increasing the number of children taking part and part-funding/funding for some children to enable them to access the provision. Not only did this increase and encourage children to become more active but also helped some children to be more focused and ready for the start of the school day.

This was extended further with the introduction of our Fun Fit programme (running three mornings a week). Training was provided for the staff to prepare for this as well as time to work with our fitness coach before school at the fitness club. Our Fun Fit programme had a very positive impact. Children were carefully selected and progress tracked throughout the terms and year. All children participating made significant progress. Their hand to eye co-ordination, fine motor skills and focus notably improved throughout this time and as such, school will invest more time and funding into this provision again next year (as we want it to grow and be sustainable).

As well as CPD for Fun Fit, staff were given training to support our PSHE curriculum with the focus on eating healthy, leading an active lifestyle and looking after yourself. School also worked with Trent Bridge Community to provide our Year 6 with their Healthy Hearts programme and the whole of KS2 undertook CPR training. These opportunities ensure the children had access to physical activity as well as time to discuss looking after ourselves, the importance of a healthy varied diet and the role of nutrition. This work enhanced our PE and fitness curriculum as well as supporting and enhancing our science curriculum (our work on the lungs and heart). These sessions also formed part of our CPD provision for KS2 staff.

Sports funding was also utilised to enhance our extra-curricular opportunities and clubs. The children were consulted and following this, had access to a range of clubs and opportunities including wheelchair basketball, skateboard coaching, Zumbini, dance club, forest schools, dance, rhythm and movement sessions, dodgeball and football clubs. All were very well attended and supported the active lifestyle we encourage at Lambley.

These opportunities also allowed for healthy competition. Indeed, the children have ample opportunity to develop their skills and passion for sport as well as show our core values when competing or representing the school. Not only did other teams and coaches comment on the children's effort but also their determination to win as well as their maturity and respect for others when they did not win. Our greatest success came in football this year. Our boys' team won their league and made it to the quarter-finals of the cup whilst our girls' team not only won their league but won the cup final as well. The two football coaches also ensured that these opportunities were open to multiple year groups ensuring skills could be developed and could be built upon year on year.

Work with Via continued again this year as we have seen the positive impact it has had for the children, their progress and how it has supported our wider work in the PE curriculum. Indeed, our PE curriculum for Early Years, places great emphasis on the ABCs of sport: agility, balance and co-ordination and we feel this training with Via further develops and enhances these key skills. As well as the balance bike work in Early Years, our Y3 children have also had the opportunity to work with Via on their Bikeability

programme. All children in Y3 had access to this provision which taught practical skills as well as built confidence and further encouraged a healthy, active lifestyle. School will look to work with Via again next year for both of these experiences.

Inter-school events have also been further developed this year. Working closely with our collaboration and our family of schools, we have ensured all year groups could take part in events which built on their PE curriculum whilst also teaching them about competition. Throughout the year, children have attended: Boccia, multi-skills, hockey, gymnastics, cross-country, rounders and orienteering events. School has had to utilise some of the Sports Grant Funding to ensure we can attend these highly important and invaluable experiences.

With all these school competitions and events, school has also ensured that we have purchased medals and trophies for the children. It is so important to celebrate the hard work, dedication and achievements of all the children in school. This was most noticeable at our Sports Day where all children in school took part together, worked hard together and as a result, we celebrated their achievements together. These achievements were also celebrated with the wider school community at our end of year celebration assembly.

With the importance of swimming at the forefront of our thoughts, school also utilised some of the Sports Grant to pay for an additional swimming instructor this year. Given the importance of this life skill, we firmly believe that teaching the children in smaller groups not only meets their needs at a more individualised level but also ensures maximum opportunity for progress and improvement as well as greater water confidence. To enhance this still further, we also utilised bridging swimming for a few children in school. This 1:1 swimming provision had great impact as both children made excellent progress. School will invest further in bridging swimming again next year.

To ensure our provision is not only sustainable but also developed upon, school have also invested in the equipment needed for our sporting curriculum and calendar. This ensures we can develop the new sports practised this year, that we can continue to take part in intra-school competitions and that our PE curriculum continues to be as broad and balanced as we have planned it to be.

It has been a very successful year at Lambley for pupils' fitness, being more active, taking part in school sports and competitions and developing and enhancing our PE curriculum. We are very proud of our work this year. More children are involved in school clubs and sports. As well as this, the opportunities we make available support readiness for school and teach core values needed for development and growth. I am proud to say that children at Lambley look for opportunities to be active and be heavily involved in school sport.

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