

SPORTS FUNDING – 2016-2017

Highwood Primary School receives £8,842 for sports funding.

The school has high expectations of pupils with regards to sport and expects all children to participate in two PE sessions a week and attend at least one of the many sports clubs that are offered as extra-curricular activities.

Highwood Primary School are working towards gaining the Schools Games Mark to recognise the quality of our school sport provision. The Games Mark rewards schools for their commitment to the development of competition across school and into the community. Highwood students enjoy taking part in a wide variety of sports within our school, and in competition and partnership with our local schools. Highwood understands the benefits of sport and competition from both a health point of view, and in helping to grow balanced, resilient and respectful children keen to achieve the best that they can.

Each term the school runs a variety of sports clubs and the take up of these is circa 71%.

Extra-curricular clubs include;

- Golf
- Multi-sports
- Football
- Rugby
- Hockey
- Athletics
- Tennis
- Rounders
- Gymnastics
- Netball

The school works closely with a sports coach, Alan Edwards (First for Sports) who is employed at the school for 3 days per week. Alan works alongside the schools' PE Coordinator to drive sport forward in the school.

The sports coach is employed to improve provision for sport throughout the school. At present the sports coach;

- Provides specialist training for staff in the school – e.g. training in basic gymnastics
- Leads lunchtime and after school clubs
- Actively encourages SEND pupils to participate in sport – Highwood is representing the Woodley cluster in County Kurling finals for pupils with a disability
- Works with staff to raise confidence and competence in the teaching of sport
- Organises all competitions. This year Highwood has participated in;
 - SEND Kurling
 - Woodley Carnival football competition

- Year 3/4 Golf competition
 - Year 3/4 Level 1 Tag rugby
 - Year 5/6 Level 1 Tag Rugby
 - Year 5/6 WPSFA Football competition
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- Represents the school in the SSCO network in Woodley
 - Reports to the Headteacher and governing body about sporting successes and developments
 - Forges links with PE staff in other Primary and Secondary schools
 - Establishes strong links with local sports club and signposts pupils and families to them. Such as Reading Athletics, Reading Football Club
 - Organises inter house sports events with the PE co-ordinator and school staff
 - Works with selected Gifted and Talented pupils to provide specialist provision

The sports funding is also used for;

- Purchasing specialist equipment – such as a spring board and golfing equipment
- Swimming pool use
- Providing training for lunchtime supervisors
- Offering places to selected children for holiday clubs