

# Sports Funding Report- 2017

We are delighted to announce that Denton Primary has been awarded the coveted School Games Gold Mark for 2014/15, 2015/16 and again in 2016/17. The School Games Mark rewards schools for their commitment to and development of competition, school sport and physical education. It has been a focus at school to promote a greater involvement in sports and it is a testament to the hard work and commitment of the staff, the children and the parents that we progressed from silver to gold in 2015 and have retained the status.

The Mark was created by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport and launched in June 2012. The criteria are set by Sport England and the Youth Sports Trust to assess criteria across participation, competition, workforce and clubs. The School Games Mark is an annual award and must be reapplied for each year.

For further information about the School Games and School Games Mark, visit [www.yourschoolgames.com](http://www.yourschoolgames.com) and <https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/schools-page>

## Sports Funding Information

Following the success of the Olympic Games in 2012, the Government introduced the Sports Premium, which is designed to help primary schools improve the quality of PE and sport activities that are on offer to pupils.

In 2015-2016, we received £8,481. We used the funding to achieve progress in the following ways:

- Continued investment in the role of Play Leader at lunchtime to encourage pupils to be active. We started to run specific activities for pupils at lunchtime in addition to the general provision.
- Providing specialist coaching in some PE lessons.
- Developing the skills of staff.
- A number of different sports on offer to pupils from Zumba to football which provided greater variety for pupils. Take up was positive and our commitment to sport was rewarded by the awarding of the Sainsbury's School Games Gold Award for Sports in September 2015.
- Greater opportunities to participate in a variety of sports at competitive level through SSCO.
- Continued to update the sports equipment to ensure successful participation in a variety of sports.

In addition to the funding and as part of our commitment to sport and pupil's well-being, we also established the following in the academic year.

- Secured links with local clubs to encourage pupils participation outside of school.
- The establishment of a 'Sports Crew'.

In 2016-2017, the school received £8,506 which was used in the following ways:

- To provide greater opportunities for pupils to participate in competitive sport within our cluster and beyond through the support of the SSCO.
- The professional development of teachers by Lead Teachers in Gymnastics.
- Use of specialist coach to deliver sessions and develop staff.
- To further update equipment.
- Increased provision of after school Sports Clubs through a range of providers and linked clubs, giving opportunities for pupils to try new sports and activities.

#### Impact of the funding 2016-2017

- Pupils are more active and engaged during lunchtimes and training has raised the confidence and social understanding of these pupils.
- Greater numbers of pupils participating in sports at lunchtime, either with the Play Leader or Young Leaders. This has also led to them trying different sports, which has generated greater enthusiasm.
- The school participated in numerous sporting events during the year from Benchball to Cricket. There was also greater success for the children as teams have taken part in District events as well as those within the two Clusters. Having sent a number of teams to the Cluster Year 3 and 4 Mini Tennis Tournament, we were invited to take a team to the District event and then to the School Games Day. Once again, number of KS2 children competed in the District Cross Country.
- Pupils were invited to the Davis Cup Experience and enjoyed a tennis workshop.
- Investment in equipment to support teaching and learning as well as coaching to develop the skills of school staff.
- A number of pupils took part in clubs and activities provided by organisations with established links with the school as well as clubs run by external providers.
- A School Games Day in addition to our School Sports Day in the summer term.
- Our first Denton Sports Personalities of the Year awards. Pupils were nominated by the peers and families and we awarded trophies to our Young Sportsman, Young Sportswoman and Team Player of the Year.

Due to the increase in the level of funding, this year the school is expected to receive £17,050. This will help us to give further opportunities to our pupils and develop our sporting involvement with other schools, both locally and further afield.

In the current academic year we have already sent teams from Years 3 and 4 and Years 5 and 6 to compete in Cluster Football Festivals and we are looking forward to lots more

competition as the year goes on. For the Year 3 pupils who took part, it was their first opportunity to compete in this kind of competition and many children keenly attended.

In November, Year 2 pupils took part in the WEN Multi Skills Festival and a number of children in Years 5 and 6 attended the WEN Sports Hall Athletics Festival. Once again, children from across Key Stage 2 will be representing the school at the WEN District Cross Country.

We held taster sessions with Hotshots Basketball and Northampton Schools County Badminton Association, and Northampton Tennis Coaching, who run a morning club at the school, will be providing us with curriculum sessions in the spring term.

We also provide a lunchtime session with Premier Sport, inspiring children to compete in upcoming competition.

As the year progresses, we hope to further increase participation in clubs and tournaments, including arranging more matches against our local schools, as well as expanding on those opportunities for children who are reluctant to take part in competitive sports. We are forging stronger links with local clubs, encouraging children to reach their full potential in whichever sport they enjoy. The involvement of the Sports Crew will be further developed and towards the end of the year, a new crew will be formed along with training for Year 5 children so that they may become Young Leaders.

We will continue to employ a Play Leader to lead sessions and activities during lunch times, as well as encourage participation and good sportsmanship. We will also continue to use the skills of a specialist coach to lead sessions and develop staff.

We will celebrate the achievements of our pupils, both inside and out of school, in our Achiever's Assemblies and Sports Achievements display.