

## What is the Sports Premium?

The government has spent over £450 million to support the provision of quality PE and school sport to primary-age pupils from 2013 to 2016. The funding has now been secured for an additional three years. This extra funding will be provided directly to head teachers. This means that Edwinstree will receive funding for our key stage 2 pupils. Each school will receive £8000, plus an extra £5 per pupil, for each academic year. The funding can only be spent on sport and PE provision in schools.

## Purpose of the Funding

Schools can choose how they use the funding, for example to:

- Hire specialist PE teachers or qualified sports coaches to work with primary teachers during PE lessons
- Support and involve the less active children by running after-school sports clubs and holiday clubs (eg the Change for Life clubs)
- Provide resources and training in PE and sport for teachers and other staff
- Run extra competitions or clubs to increase pupils' participation in the School Games
- Run sports activities with other schools, or provide transport/equipment to make such activities possible

## How Edwinstree has used the funding

2014-2015 Funding	Impact
1. The department purchased an ipad to improve teaching and learning, as well as offer children opportunities to engage in clubs and fixtures as media reps.	From previously having no media reps, over 20 children were involved this academic year. Their pictures and match reports were uploaded to the website and put in the newsletter and in local press. Non-participants in lessons were able to take a more active role by filming or photographing performances and giving feedback. Participants were able to compare their technique against that of a professional using performance apps to better self-assess.
2. The department designed and purchased kit for children to wear to fixtures. It is clearly distinguishable as Edwinstree kit and includes the school logo.	Pupil voice and feedback from fixtures showed that those participating against other schools felt 'scruffy' in comparison to their opponents. They reported feeling intimidated by others' kit and this affected their confidence when playing against other schools. Our pupil voice at the end of the year showed that pupils are now keen to wear the kit and enjoy representing the school.

<p>3. Contribution to the North East Herts School Sports Partnership (NEHSSP). This allows a teacher to spend one day a week working within Edwinstree and local first schools to offer increased opportunities, quality of teaching and learning and competition.</p>	<p>Over half the children who took part in a level 2 (inter-school) fixture this academic year did so in a competition facilitated by NEHSSP. All children who attended a level 3 event (county final) did so through the partnership as well. Additionally, pupils were able to complete sports leadership roles in first school swimming, cross country, multi-skills and rugby. It also allowed us to invite Millfield, Layston, Ardeley, Hormead and Anstey first schools to festivals hosted by Edwinstree and its sports leaders.</p>
<p>4. Training for staff</p>	<p>We were able to offer non-specialist teachers who were interested in helping with sports clubs the chance to complete a recognised coaching award.</p>

2015 – 2016 Funding	Impact
<p>1. Outdoor play equipment. An outdoor play frame was installed on the school field, complete with safety flooring. This is open for any child to use at break and lunch time.</p>	<p>This has eased congestion on the playground and reduced incidents between year groups trying to use the same spaces. The play equipment is regularly used (especially by years 5 and 6). It has improved social interactions by encouraging sharing of equipment and safe risk taking. It also encourages children to be involved in active play.</p>
<p>2. Contribution to the North East Herts School Sports Partnership (NEHSSP). This allows a teacher to spend one day a week working within Edwinstree and local first schools to offer increased opportunities, quality of teaching and learning and competition.</p>	<p>Again, over half the children who took part in a level 2 (inter-school) fixture this academic year did so in a competition facilitated by NEHSSP. Additionally, pupils were able to complete sports leadership roles in first school swimming, cross country, multi-skills and rugby. It also allowed us to invite Millfield, Layston, Ardeley, Hormead, Barley, Barkway and Anstey schools to festivals hosted by Edwinstree and its sports leaders. Our leaders also ran clubs (including dance and basketball) in our first schools.</p>

2016 – 2017 Funding	Impact
<p>1. Contribution to the North East Herts School Sports Partnership (NEHSSP). This allows a teacher to spend one day a week working within Edwinstree and local first schools to offer increased opportunities, quality of teaching and learning and competition.</p>	<p>Children continue to take part in competition facilitated by NEHSSP. Additionally, pupils were able to complete sports leadership roles in a number of different sports. It also allowed us to invite Millfield, Layston, Ardeley, Hormead, Barley, Barkway and Anstey schools to festivals hosted by Edwinstree and its sports leaders.</p>
<p>2. A survey was undertaken to support an upgrade to equipment in the department and replace essential equipment that has a direct impact on extracurricular activities. The upgraded and replaced equipment includes: football posts and nets, hockey goals and nets, tennis posts and nets, tennis posts and nets, basketball posts, cricket cage, socketed netball posts £7,002, upgrades for athletics equipment £1,400.</p>	<p>An upgrade in equipment will enable students across Key Stages to develop their skills and abilities on equipment that is fit for purpose. The upgraded resources will also enable outside providers (Russell Hoops for example) to use the outdoor equipment and enhance the provision they offer our students and the local community.</p>
<p>3. Purchase of sports coaching to increase extracurricular opportunities by upskilling school teaching staff. £645.</p>	<p>This short-term initiative is to increase our extra-curricular activities, needed due to changes in staffing levels in September 2016.</p>