

## **Bernards Heath Junior School**



### **Implementing the Sports Premium Funding at Bernards Heath Junior School**

The Government has given every primary school additional funding to develop Physical Education and Competitive Sport.

*'School are free to determine how best to use this funding to improve the quality and breadth of PE and Sport provision, including increasing participation in PE and Sport so that all pupils develop healthy lifestyles and reach the performance levels they are capable of.'* OFSTED Inspecting Primary School PE and School Sport, Sept 2013

As a school we have always placed a great emphasis on PE and are proud of our overall provision and rate of participation in competitive events.

Bernards Heath will continue to develop competence in a broad range of physical activities. We will continue to ensure that the children are given opportunities throughout their four years at the school to engage in a range of competitive sports and activities supporting the children in leading healthy and active lives.

The additional funding which will run over the next two academic years will allow us to:

- Employ a Qualified Specialist Sports Teaching Assistant who will support class teachers in all PE lessons, enabling greater differentiation and inclusion in lessons.
- Provide specialist sports coaching in specific sports such as rugby, football, dance, gymnastics, netball and cricket. This will allow children to benefit from specialist teaching and for teachers to increase their skills.
- Pay for affiliation to St Albans Schools Sports Partnership (SASSP) which facilitates local inter-school competitions and professional development opportunities for teachers.
- Provide administration time for updating our Sports Blog and for organising the logistics of communicating with parents and arranging transport to local sporting events.
- Expand extra-curricular provision for sport and healthy lifestyles e.g. netball, football, cricket, tennis, cross-country, running club, basketball, tag rugby, swimming as well as a Change 4 Life Cooking Club applying the principles of nutrition and healthy eating.
- Encourage our children to improve their leadership skills through sport via our Year 6 Sports Ambassadors Programme.

In this way, our children will gain new skills and experiences and teachers will learn new techniques and knowledge to aid them in teaching sport and PE.

The long term aim is higher quality lessons and improved learning for all children.

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