

At Southwick School, we continue to provide a range of high quality physical education for all of our children, as well as opportunities to engage in competitive sporting activities at an intra-school and inter-school level. We believe that this will enable our children to develop their physical skills, improve health and confidence whilst fostering an enjoyment of physical activity which they can carry forward throughout their lives.

From September 2013, the government has provided additional funding, known as the Sports Premium, to schools. This funding is ring-fenced and therefore can only be spent on improving the provision of PE and sport in schools.

The allocation of funding is based on the number of children, between the ages of 5 and 11, in school, as recorded in the annual January census.

This year, Apr 16 to March 17, Southwick School received funding of £8765 which has been used to:

- hire specialist coaches to work alongside staff to develop their skills within a particular sporting area e.g. netball, football, dance;
- support and engage the children in sporting activities;
- subsidising the cost of after-school sports clubs to enable them to run (five sports clubs run each week);
- providing supply cover to release staff for professional development in PE and sport;
- increasing pupil participation in inter-school games by releasing staff and providing transport to and from competitive events;
- increasing pupil participation in sports festivals by releasing staff and providing transport to and from these;
- purchase of sports equipment to support the introduction of new sports;
- provide top-up swimming for Y6 children unable to swim 25m.

Examples of the Impact of the Sports Premium Funding

Children from KS2 attended a Kwik Kricket Tournament losing out to a local team in the quarter finals.

Children from KS2 attended an inter-schools cross country event. Following this, a number of children attended the local park runs.

Children from Y5 and Y6 took part in the local football league which culminated in a Wiltshire Festival.

KS1 and Y3 participated in a Multi-Sports event at our local secondary school.

Children from upper KS2 participated in a rugby tournament

A number of children chose to showcase their talents in gymnastics and dance in this year's 'Southwick's Got Talent'.

Thirty Y5 children participated in the Dance Festival held at The Forum in Bath, in front of an audience of several hundred people. Their performance was of a high standard showcasing a range of dance techniques. Parental feedback showed that parents (and staff) were very proud of the children's achievements.

Following a term of girl's football coaching in Upper KS2, the girls participated in a tournament for West Wilts Schools and were runners up. Five girls have subsequently joined a local football team outside of school and are now playing competitively.