

SPORTS FUNDING – 2013-4

St Mary's Catholic First School received £8670 in funding

DASP Fund – 50% of our allocation - £4335

A Sports teacher has been employed to work with the schools in the St Osmund's mini-pyramid. We have been allocated one morning and one afternoon's coaching. He will work with our KS2 children on a variety of sports. He will also organise some competitions between schools. In his first year he will work on producing a scheme of work and will be upskilling teachers. He will also train Yr 4 to be lunchtime leaders, showing younger children different games to play.

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'Cluster of schools' Fund – £2953

A group of 6 First schools have pooled some extra money to employ a second Sports Coach. He will be working with our Reception and KS1 classes to improve multi skills and introduce them to other skills. He will also assist with running a sports' club at lunchtime. He will also organise some competitions between schools. In his first year he will work on producing a scheme of work and will be upskilling teachers. In Year 2 of his employment he will start to team-teach with the teachers to further upskill them.

Further training for staff to run a lunchtime sports club (Energy Club) and equipment to support sport - £1387.

The Energy Club was very popular. We also attended a number of inter-schools competitions and events – these were organised through DASP. Our multi-skills sessions were popular and were supported by the Young Sports' Leaders from St Osmunds's Middle School.

Our Sports' Day was supported by both our coaches and was an all-day event, with team games in the morning and competitive games in the afternoon. We held a medal ceremony at the end and each child received a sports' medal. The event was supported by the Young Sports' Leaders from St Osmunds's Middle School.

We held 2 Swimming Galas – one for KS1 and one for KS2 and these were well attended by parents too. Both were supported by the Young Sports' Leaders from St Osmunds's Middle School.

The coaches reviewed our sports' equipment and purchased replacement equipment where necessary. They also looked at our lunchtime equipment, which the children are able to use to encourage co-operative play, and updated this with new equipment.

We conducted pupil and staff questionnaires at the end of the year and the response was very positive. The children enjoyed being able to learn a variety of new sports, knowing that they would move on to another sport in the future if they didn't particularly enjoy the one they were doing.

The staff felt they had learnt many new skills which they can use when teaching themselves.

Our Sport Co-ordinator is working towards gaining the Sports' Mark and has identified the need for some additional after-school clubs.

SPORTS FUNDING – 2014-5

The funding for the year is £8755

As last year we have allocated 50% of this to a DASP coach = £4378

We have continued to buy in a Cluster coach at £3000

The further funding of £1377 will be used to buy new equipment and to support travel to inter-school events.