

## A statement about the impact of PE funding 2014-2015

Our school has considered very carefully how best to spend the allocated PE funding. Consequently, before any decisions were made, a questionnaire was sent to all staff to ask what they believed the schools needs to be. The findings were that the majority of respondents expressed a requirement for training in various aspects of PE in order to increase their confidence and the children's motivation. As a direct result, we invested in professional training in the areas of dance, fundamentals and mini-leadership to meet this need. In addition, we continue to employ a qualified PE and sports coach to work alongside our teachers in order increase their skills in identified areas.

Another need that was identified was the difficulty in accessing the PE resources in their previous storage area. Appropriate storage was purchased with the PE funding which allowed the children to take responsibility for retrieving their own resources safely and efficiently.

Furthermore, our school has invested in affiliation to the Chesterfield School Sports Partnership. In doing so, we are able to access the latest subject leader training which enables the school to keep abreast of the latest subject developments. It also gives us access to the Early Rider programme, various PE competitions, events and festivals. This allows the children to engage with peers from other schools, develop a competitive edge and team spirit, improve upon their skills and take a great pride in their achievements across the curriculum. As these occasions take place in schools across Chesterfield, the funding also provides us with the means to travel to these events.

In summary, the impact of our spending during the last year has been;

- Increased staff confidence and expertise in the delivery of dance and fundamentals teaching
- Increased motivation to engage in PE activities
- Improved access and independent use of resources
- Increased participation in competitive events

Each year, we carefully evaluate the impact of our spending before we make any decisions about our needs for the following year.