



Smithy Bridge Primary School

A FOUNDATION PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Impact of Sports Premium 2016-17

The school received £9,780 for Sports Premium.

£7,837 was spent on specialist coaching in subsidised clubs:

The clubs run during 2016-'17 included the following –

Lacrosse, tag rugby, gymnastics, fundamentals, football, tennis, cricket, judo, karate, handball, girls' football, dance, athletics, hockey, fencing, multi-skills. Approximately 290 children participated in at least one club, many repeated memberships and showed themselves to be keen and developing athletes.

£700 was spent on membership of the Rochdale Sports Association:

This offered us in the region of 40 competitions in which we were invited to participate, many of these were across several schools, they offered a high level of completion and a varied experience. The competitions were inclusive of age groups from Y1 to Y6 and included SEN competitions. It also provided approved coaching links, courses for staff at a subsidised rate and training for the Y6 children who became playground mentors under the 'Playground Pals' scheme.

£325 was spent on a whole school skipping initiative and £196 was spent on ropes:

The whole school skipping initiative was highly successful and was part of a wider project to improve playtimes. Children enjoyed skipping and skipping games are being played in both playgrounds mostly as a co-operative activity (long rope games). General playground behaviour has been steadily improving.

£100 was spent on the Pennine Athletics competition:

This is a key event in the summer sport calendar offering the children in Y5 and 6 the opportunity to be part of a big school team participating in a well run track and field event. This is the only event of its kind locally and is a tradition we work hard to maintain and support. At least 8 staff from Smithy Bridge School support the event by officiating.

£500 was spent on staffing costs to escort children to competitions and supervise the children at the sporting events which are frequently after school time:

Since the staffing restructure for budgetary reasons and the reduction in TA hours, it is not always possible to arrange for staff working in school to supervise children at fixtures and competitions. The money has allowed us to pay staff to work outside of their contractual hours and hence – to participate.

£122 was spent on medals, badges and certificates:

Children enjoy receiving certificates for their sporting efforts and we find that this motivates them especially if they are presented in Achievement Assembly. It is a platform from which we can talk about success and younger children aspire to emulate the older pupils, thus a sporting ethos is engendered.

In 2016-17 we participated in the Manchester School Winter Games and the Summer Games as we have for a number of years as a result of winning local competitions. This is an indicator of the success of our sporting programme. Our Rugby team took part in the Winter Games and in the Summer Games we took part in mini tennis and sports for all golf.

We were also able to maintain our Sportsmark Gold Award.

We were successful in winning the Pennine Schools' Netball competition and the Pennine Schools' A team football competition.

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