



# Bird in Bush Primary School

## Sports Premium Report for 2023/2024

### Sports Premium Funding

**The Government fund an additional £16,000 (plus £10 per pupil between the ages of 5-11 years old) to improve the quality of sport and PE for all their children. The expected allocation for Bird in Bush School going forward based on the October 2023 census return (445 pupils Year R to Year 6) will be £20,450.**

At the heart of the Bird in Bush School offer to our pupils, we have planned that Sports and Physical Exercise will play a key role in ensuring our pupils are healthy, happy and learning individuals. We are committed to helping our pupils achieve a minimum of 30 minutes of exercise during the school day in addition to the sporting activities provided during curriculum time and our extended hours sport provision.

With our Sports Premium funding we will continue to invest in equipment that provides children with a chance to participate in sports that may usually be inaccessible (e.g. cycling, table tennis, street dance and extended outdoor and adventurous opportunities).

Our extensive grounds have enabled us to incorporate sport in many different areas (including the ballcourt, and across five different playgrounds). These areas are used comprehensively during lunch and day time breaks by pupils of all ages who are encouraged to participate by the on-duty staff. The staff are trained as part of their continuing professional development (using Sports Premium funding) run by school.

The activities are changed on a daily basis in every area ensuring children are exposed to different sports. Each area gives the children the opportunity to increase physical activity, develop relationships through sport and increase their love for sport. By providing these extra activities we aim to provide every child with a healthy lifestyle while at the same time enhancing their social skills.

We see extending opportunities for Sport and Physical Exercise as key in building capacity and capability in the school and making sure that improvements made to the quality of PE, sport and physical activity provision are sustainable and will benefit pupils joining the school in future

- develop or add to the PE, sport and physical activity that the school provides

We aspire to support Sports and Physical Health by using our PE and Sport Premium Funding in some of the following ways across the academic year 2023-2024:

- providing additional swimming lessons so that all pupils became more water-confident and most pupils learnt to swim 25 metres by the time they had finished their primary school years.
- A wider range of After School Club activities (e.g. outdoor and adventurous activities and those that extend pupils' physical health and well being) ensuring that pupils access new sports and became more engaged in sports.
- engaging more pupils in a range of sports activities during break and lunch times, especially through the use of our health mentor from Evolve
- providing a greater range of equipment to develop new sports such as cricket bats, football goals
- introducing additional Sports Coach for extended hours provision (before school from 8.00 a.m. and after school until 6.00 p.m.)
- new playground equipment purchased to support physical development
- significantly higher numbers of pupils regularly participated in inter-school competitions
- cycle training provided to all pupils using the school's own bikes bought to support the cycling culture that we wish to foster in our pupils

In achieving the above, we believe we will prioritise PE and sport premium spending to improve in the following 5 key areas:

- increasing all staff's confidence, knowledge and skills in teaching PE and sport
- increasing engagement of all pupils in regular physical activity and sport
- raising the profile of PE and sport across the school, to support whole school improvement
- offer a broader and more equal experience of a range of sports and physical activities to all pupils
- increase participation in competitive sport

# Context for Bird in Bush School linked to our Sports Premium Allocation

## Autumn 2023 onwards

- The governors and school leaders at Bird in Bush School are committed to supporting and extending the opportunities for our pupils through the targeted use of additional Sports Premium funding.
- The 2023-2024 allocation of sports premium funding does not fully reflect the actual spend plans that are impacting on the Bird in Bush School pupils that have been at the school since September 2023. Spend plans for both Camelot and Cobourg Schools for Summer 2023 significantly focused on the issue of low percentages of pupils who were not water confident as well as the lack of investment in Sports and Physical Activity identified at Cobourg School. It is expected that the 2024-2025 sports premium allocation will be the first allocation to directly impact all of the current pupils of the school.
- Governors and school leaders are committed to the use of PE and Sports Premium to build capacity and capability in the school and make sure that improvements made to the quality of PE, sport and physical activity provision now are sustainable and will benefit pupils joining the school in future as well as to develop or add to the PE, sport and physical activity that the school provides. We are committed to prioritising continued professional development for our staff team to make sure that the future quality of the teaching of PE, sport and physical activity is sustainable.
- By achieving these aspirations, we plan to have used our sports premium allocation to achieve the following:
  - embed physical activity into the school day by encouraging active travel to and from school and having active break times
  - provide targeted activities or support to involve and encourage the least active children
  - help to provide equal access for all pupils to the range of sports and physical activities that the school offers