

Sports Funding Statement

Main thrust of the funding

The funding that the school receives specifically towards PE, finances the majority of the costs of employing specialist teachers for PE for every class in the school. The aim of this approach is to offer the pupils a quality PE provision led by specialist teachers, with our own teachers benefitting by observing the teaching, recording notes and personal developmental points and discussing planning of lessons with the sports coaches. This also impacts on the contribution of teachers towards the school's annual Sports Day, held in the Summer term. Some of the funding also goes towards Year 3 swimming lessons.

PE Staff

Led by Mr Alex Nichols (PE Leader)

Qualifications:

- FA Coaching – Levels 1, 2 and 3
- UEFA 'B' License
- FA Youth Module qualifications – Levels 1, 2 and 3
- Speed, Agility & Quickness qualification – Level 1
- Futsal UEFA B Licence
- Football UEFA A Licence
- FA advanced Youth award
- Sport Studies BSc (Hons)
- PGCE

PE Lessons

Lessons are generally taught in 3-week blocks, covering Invasion Games, Body Manipulation (Gymnastics), Athletics and Outdoor & Adventurous Activities.

Extra-Curricular Sporting Activities

There are (and have been) several very popular sports clubs in the school, running at lunchtimes and as after-school clubs and available to a variety of age groups in the school. Some of these clubs are run by the specialist PE staff named above:

- Table Tennis;
- Fencing;
- Hockey;
- Football;
- Cricket;

- Multi-Sports;
- Healthy Living;
- Jogging Club.
- Half-term football clubs;
- Summer holidays football club.

Sports Day

This takes place on an annual basis, towards the end of the summer term at Allianz Park Stadium, in front of parents and other family members, all of whom are welcome to watch and support the boys.

* Sports Day is planned, managed and led by the specialist PE staff, with the help and support of the school's teachers and assistants.

Sports matches against other schools

Often taking place in the summer term, the boys in Year 6 play cricket and football matches against another Jewish boys school. These matches are generally managed by the school's specialist PE staff. The school has also taken part in 5-a-side football tournaments with other schools.

Sports and the community

A select group of communally-minded pupils have taken part in a jogging club with one of the PE teachers and training towards taking part in the Vitality North London half-marathon; in the process raising money for two important non-Jewish charities.

How it all makes a difference

Our various sports clubs are incredibly popular with pupils and regularly overbooked. This includes after-school clubs and half-term sports clubs too, such as fencing, football, hockey, multi-sports and fencing!

Pupils enjoy their sporting activities and we are fortunate with the outdoor space available on the premises. As well as a large front playground, there is a further rear playground and an adventure playground, all well-used at break-times too.

With the help of a grant from an external foundation, the school purchased and installed two traversing walls – in the front and rear playgrounds. Making further use of funding, in 2018, four pieces of outdoor fitness equipment were installed in the rear playground – all hugely popular with pupils across the school.

In addition, our own class teachers are gaining in confidence in teaching PE, with a greater knowledge and understanding of effective pedagogy in this subject.

Future spending

As well as continuing to retain the services of specialist PE teachers, the school also plans in the future to invest more indoor and outdoor child-friendly fitness equipment as well as more active break-time resources.