

Impact of the Sports Funding 2015-2016

Our pupils show a great deal of enthusiasm and enjoyment for Sports and PE. As a school we promote a healthy lifestyle in children from an early age and provide our pupils with a variety of sports clubs for them to benefit from.

- We have used our Sports funding to improve the quality of PE with regular and consistent employment of a sports specialist over all three terms. This has not only enhanced the quality and provision of PE for all pupils but also provided staff with increased confidence, subject knowledge and skills enabling higher quality teaching. Staff are more confident at delivering sport specific sessions, planning is matched and appropriately differentiated and as a result pupil skill levels are improving. Sport's training was provided in Athletics, Multi Skills, Tag Rugby, Football and Gymnastics.
- Enriched our PE curriculum with theme day such as Skip to be fit in which the whole school took part.

Increasing pupil participation in physical activity and sport

After School Club and Lunchtime club

- Extra-curricular sports activities have been strengthened this year with after school club and lunchtime club, provided by sport's specialist, both clubs with a large number of children attending.
- Increasing skill level in children who attend
- Promotes the development of healthy lifestyles
- Free sports activities/opportunities offered for many disadvantaged families
- Improve attitude and behaviour
- Run to Rio engaged the whole school having a positive impact on a healthy life style and regular exercise.

Competitive Sports. We have taken part in a number of competitive sports over the year. These events catered for a variety of sports and skills. At St Mary's 160 students participated in competitive sporting competitions. The school has seen many benefits from competitive sports.

These include:

- Increase self-esteem and resilience for the children who participate
- Improve attitude and behaviour
- Provide opportunities for children who are unable to access sport outside school.
- Pride in representing the school at tournaments
- Awarded Silver School Games Mark

We have also developed stronger links with local schools through the competitions.

St Mary's enjoys whole school sporting days and events. The attendance and participation for our School Sports Day was fantastic and the children and parents spoke highly of the event. St Mary's also organised a whole school '*Run to Rio*' event in the build up to the Olympics. All year levels were enthusiastic about the event and everyone contributed to achieving our goal to '*Run to Rio*'. To celebrate our achievement the school held a Carnival which included an opening ceremony, multi-skills games and salsa dancing.

The sports funding has and continues to have a positive and beneficial effect on the PE and sport provision at school. St Mary's has now achieved "Silver" in the Sainsbury's School Games Kitemark.