

What is the Sports Premium?



The government is providing funding of £150 million per annum for each academic year from 2013 to 2016, to improve provision of physical education (PE) and sport in primary schools. This funding is being jointly provided by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport and will be allocated to primary school head teachers to spend on improving the quality of sport and PE for all Key Stage 2 children. The sport funding can only be spent on sport and PE provision in schools.

Purpose of funding

Schools will have to spend the sport funding on improving their provision of PE and sport, but they will have the freedom to choose how they do this.

Possible uses for the funding might include:

- hiring specialist PE teachers or qualified sports coaches to work with primary teachers when teaching PE
- supporting and engaging the least active children through new or additional Change4Life clubs
- paying for professional development opportunities for teachers in PE and sport
- providing cover to release primary teachers for professional development in PE and sport
- running sport competitions, or increasing pupils' participation in the School Games
- buying quality assured professional development modules or materials for PE and sport
- providing places for pupils on after school sports clubs and holiday clubs
- pooling the additional funding with that of other local schools.