



Plains Farm Academy **PE and Sport Grant Funding 2025-2026**

For the 2025-2026 academic year, we will receive £17,510 in PE and Sport Grant Funding. This will allow us to continue to increase the participation and attainment within sporting activities, develop the PE skills of teaching staff and further build pupils' passion for sports and exercise.

Community Links and Competitions

Plains Farm Academy links with Farringdon Academy, local primary schools, community and charity events and Dillon Morse Sports Coaching to support and develop sports across our school. We have also signed up for the Gold Sunderland Primary Schools SLA.

All year groups are included in this timetable of activities. For example:

- Cross trust competitions for all children to be involved in
- CPD from PE specialists
- Opportunities to take part in a wide range of competitive sports
- Building relationships with other children through sport
- Sports enrichment days (themed events, sports week, sports day, wellbeing)
- Activities to support transition of year 6 pupils to a secondary school environment
- PE Leader and SLT members to attend PE updates to ensure curriculum changes and expectations are implemented

Lunch time and before/after school activities

We are continuing to offer every child the opportunity to utilise our MUGA during lunchtimes and break times to ensure that they are having the chance to keep active and be involved with child led sports and games. We also encourage active play throughout the day where children have access to games, toys, and scooters and we also promote child led groups where children can put together their own activities such as gymnastic clubs and running clubs. We have a football club for all children from Year 3 to Year 6 that runs after school. We are in the process of setting up child led sports clubs such as basketball and dance. We do also run various bracelet making clubs to support children with their fine motor skills from Year 1 and above.

Sports coaching

This will provide us with the opportunity to employ specialist sports coaches to work alongside teachers to increase subject knowledge and skills. Teachers will then lead CPD for whole staff to ensure skills and knowledge are disseminated across the staff and implemented within PE lessons where appropriate, across school.

For example:

- Leadership training for Year 5 students
- A qualified coach will teach high-quality football and games knowledge to Reception to 6 throughout the year.
- Participation in the skipping competition for years 2 and 4 with coaching provided in school before the competitions
- Specialist teachers for certain sports across the year
- Delivery from Change 4 Life

Purchasing of new equipment

Purchasing of specialist equipment such as dance equipment, basketball, football and athletics equipment and maintaining equipment already purchased.

Outdoor and adventurous activities

Children will have the opportunity across the year, particularly in key stage 2, to access outdoor and adventurous activities outside of the school setting, for example: accessing archery, orienteering, hiking etc. Children in EYFS will have opportunities to attend coastal and forest schools.

Learning Opportunities

Learning opportunities for children are enriched using sport and healthy living as the core target. Professionals from throughout the community continue to work with the children in a range of areas, including workshops with local health care workers such as the dentist and school nurse and Change 4 Life representatives. Children will also be involved in a Health and Wellbeing festival.

PE sport participation and attainment

The PE leader closely monitors participation rates. Amy McCulloch from Farrington Community Academy and Bryony Blanchard, School Games Organiser from Biddick Academy also support in monitoring participation, alongside Callum Hodgson, Sunderland School Games organiser.