All Saints Catholic Primary



Physical Education, Sport and the impact of the Sports Premium

2021 - 2022

Sports Premium Funding

The government has announced that it is continuing to provide additional funding to improve provision of physical education (PE) and sport in primary schools. This funding – provided jointly by the Departments for Education, Health and Culture, Media and Sport – will be allocated directly to primary schools. The money must be used to improve the provision of PE and school sport.

For more information on the Physical Education and Sport Premium for Primary Schools visit the DfE website via the following link:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/pe-and-sport-premium-for-primary-schools

Sports Premium Spending at All Saints Catholic Primary School

At All Saints, we recognise the essential role that Physical Education plays in promoting the health and well-being of our pupils. We believe that an innovative and well-designed PE curriculum along with varied extra-curricular opportunities have a positive influence on our children's mental and physical health, confidence, concentration and academic achievement. We strongly believe in the role that competitive sport can play in children's ability to value their own and others' efforts and to deal with success and disappointment. In addition, we see participation in PE and Sport as a key means of strengthening children's affiliation to their school community and giving them the skills and confidence to engage in sporting activities out of as well as in school. Situated within a five-minute walk from Bootle Leisure Centre and the Brunswick Sports Academy, we want our children to be equipped to use their leisure time productively and make the most of the local facilities. We have prioritised the employment of a specialist PE teacher and a Sports Apprentice as the best use of this additional funding.

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How the funding will be spent and the impact of the spending

At All Saints we believe in a holistic approach to the development of sport and physical activity for all. We are passionate about raising levels of physical activity and achievement for all of our children. We continue to develop our Sports Premium plan to raise standards and participation levels in PE throughout the school. We are mindful that childhood obesity is one of the country's biggest health issues and that one in eight children and young people have a diagnosable mental health condition. The well-established links between physical activity and physical and mental health underpin our rational. In summary we will use the Sports Premium to ensure that:

1. All pupils are engaged in regular physical activity – kick-starting healthy active lifestyles.

2. The profile of PE and sport is raised across the school.

3. There is a broader experience of a range of sports and activities offered to all pupils with all benefitting, regardless of sporting ability.

4. We have increased participation in competitive sport ensuring that all children are given the opportunity to compete in tournaments with other schools. Placing particular focus on increasing the participation of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Sports Premium Spending

In the **2021/22** academic year our school was allocated **£18,866** in Sports Premium Funding. Below is a table of how that money has been spent and the impact it has had on PE and sport within the school:

Key achievements to date:	Areas for further improvement and baseline evidence of need:
 Maintained GOLD School Games Mark. Provide good quality after school extracurricular sports clubs and quality curriculum provision by employing a fully qualified Physical Education teacher. Continued to provide provision for less active children within the school by providing lunchtime activities organised by a Sports Apprentice. Improved the provision of Outdoor and Adventurous Activities (OAA) by organising Water Sports sessions at Crosby Lakeside, continuing to conduct Orienteering sessions on our school site and running a Year 6 Residential trip with PGL. Encouraged pupils to be active before school during Breakfast Club. School employs full time specialist PE Teacher who encourages and organises activities during Breakfast Club. School employs full time specialist PE Teacher to lead and teach PE across the school and help to increase the knowledge and understanding of all staff within the subject. Maintained and Increased attendance to extracurricular clubs. Provision of sport for girls has continued to increase over the years ensuring gender equality. Continued to enter the girls' football league and complete all fixtures during the season. Creating many opportunities for girls to play competitive football. Provision of Sport has increased both in school and at competitive level for SEND children making PE more accessible and inclusive for all children. Continued to create greater links with sports companies/programmes. Leap Dance & Gymnastics running an after school gymnastics club all year. Chance 2 Shine Cricket running a full week of football session for every class within the school. Increased the number of children within the school who are able to ride a bike confidently and competently by running sessions within school. Continued membership and engagement with South Sefton School Sports Partnership, which has enabled our school to maintain and	 Further increase the knowledge and understanding of all school staff within PE so that all are confident of teaching the PE curriculum. Increase the percentage of Year 6 cohort who can swim competently and confidently over a distance of 25metres. Our percentage unfortunately decreased due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. We are gradually moving in the right direction, increasing our percentage and recovering from the missed swimming opportunities but this remains an area, which we are targeting to increase to a level above any we have previously reached.

Academic Year: 2021/22	Total fund allocated: £18,866	Date Updated: J	uly 2022	
Key indicator 1: The engagement of all p	Percentage of total allocation:			
school children undertake at least 30 mi	nutes of physical activity a day in school			74%
School focus with clarity on intended impact on pupils :	Actions to achieve:	Funding allocated:	Evidence and impact:	Sustainability and suggested next steps:
Qualified PE Teacher – Employed full time within school and assigned the role of PE Coordinator. All additional PE costs such as PE Teacher salary are met by the normal school budget allocation. Qualified PE Teacher to provide before and after school club provision. Create a well balance and rounded PE curriculum. Offering a variety of activities, which are attractive and accessible to all children. Make all staff in school aware of the PE Curriculum and its importance within the school. School PE Teacher to mentor a Sports Apprentice.	the subject across the whole school. Joint/team teaching undertaken with other school staff in order to build confidence of all staff when delivering PE. Liaise with other school staff in order to increase knowledge and understanding		extra-curricular clubs on offer that promote physical activity and are accessible to all. Children of all ages will have access to a range of	PE subject Leader to support new staff in school with planning for delivery of physical education. Arrange team teaching opportunities and supportive lesson observations in order to develop the quality of teaching, learning and assessment. PE subject Leader to identify any staff who need further support and to provide appropriate professional learning. PE Subject Leader to monitor and provide support as appropriate in order to ensure progress and achievement are maintained by all pupils. PE Subject leader networks with colleagues at other schools to
Continue to encourage all children and staff within the school to be as active as possible. Promote Daily Mile as a	Continue to engage the whole school in the Daily Mile. Daily results on the 'WOW travel tracker' walking, park and		Daily Mile - continued monitoring of the Daily Mile meaning all pupils within the whole school are active	J. J

method of encouraging children and staff to be active during the school day. PE Teacher given the responsibility of introducing and monitoring the 'WOW Travel Tracker' to encourage active journeys on the way to school.	stride, bike and scooters.		on a daily basis. 'WOW Travel Tracker' - continued monitoring of the programme within school using the online logging system to ensure, as many children are active on their journey to school.	with information and knowledge passed on to all teaching staff in order it to be continued in future years.
Employment of a Sports Apprentice - work alongside our specialist PE Teacher whilst also training to gain an NVQ Qualification in Activity Leadership. Extra-Curricular Clubs. Lunch Time Sport Provision – Active Kids Club (intervention groups identified)		£11,003.45	Increased the number of extracurricular sport clubs on offer and therefore increased the percentage of children taking part in extracurricular sport. Able to provide extra sports provision during lunch times and therefore increase the number of children attending sports clubs. Increased the range of extra- curricular clubs on offer that promote physical activity and are accessible to all. Children of all ages will have access to a range of different sports clubs, led by a fully qualified professional. Provides the opportunity for children to participate and have fun with their peers and friends. A high number of children	Providing support to dinner staff during lunch times and therefore increasing their confidence, knowledge and understanding of organising sports activities. Wider variety of staff within the school capable of running sports clubs (lunch times)

			participating and experiencing a range of sports in a safe and positive environment. Improvement in behaviour at lunchtimes. This has been highly successful. Children enjoy being able to participate in organised sports at lunchtime led by an enthusiastic PE Specialist and Sports Apprentice. Reduction of behaviour issues.	
Key indicator 2: The profile of PESSPA b	eing raised across the school as a tool for	whole school imp	provement	Percentage of total allocation:
School focus with clarity on intended impact on pupils :	Actions to achieve:	Funding allocated:	Evidence and impact:	% Sustainability and suggested next steps:
PE Teacher and PE apprentice - work together to raise the profile of PE and Sport across the school.	Create displays and notice boards throughout school to promote, advertise and raise the profile of PE and Sport. Daily Mile and WOW Travel Tracker are both promoted with the use of displays in the school hall. Participation and achievements to be celebrated each week in school assembly with the use of certificates. Use school website to promote PE and Sport.	key indicator 1)	Numerous notice boards around school promoting PE, sport, The Daily Mile, healthy eating and the dangers of a high sugar diet. Increase confidence and self-esteem of pupils feeling proud from seeing photographs of themselves on displays and school website.	
PE Teacher – complete school game mark.	Retained our Gold level status for Physical Education and Sport from the previous year.	key indicator 1)	Physical Education and Sport from	Aim to continue to achieve at a GOLD level in order to gain PLATINUM status in the future.

PE Teacher – Use of social media Twitter	Use the school twitter page to promote	NIL (outlined in	An active school Twitter page that	
page.	PE and Sport to parents and a wider	key indicator 1)	promotes PE and Sport and interacts	
	audience such as the local community		with a wider audience. Increase	
	and nationally.		confidence and self-esteem of pupils	
			feeling proud from seeing	
			photographs of themselves on the	
			school's twitter.	

Key indicator 3: Increased confidence, kr	nowledge and skills of all staff in teaching	g PE and sport		Percentage of total allocation:
				10%
School focus with clarity on intended impact on pupils:	Actions to achieve:	Funding allocated:	Evidence and impact:	Sustainability and suggested next steps:
South Sefton School Sports Partnership – Silver Membership Subject leader attending CPD and subject leader meetings with other local PE Coordinators in order to keep up to date with current PE practices. Helping to develop staff expertise in teaching primary PE by providing additional training and professional development for our specialist PE Teacher (CPD).	The SSSP has helped the PE leader to develop confidence in their role by providing network days and CPD training. This will ensure the subject is led to a high standard in school.	£2000	confidence in the roll, which has ensured the subject is being led to a high standard in school. This will	PE subject leader allocated time to liaise with other school staff ir order to pass on knowledge and ensure all staff are kept up to date with current PE practices.
Key indicator 4: Broader experience of a	range of sports and activities offered to	all pupils		Percentage of total allocation: 15%
School focus with clarity on intended impact on pupils:	Actions to achieve:	Funding allocated:	Evidence and impact:	Sustainability and suggested next steps:
A range of PE/Sport based equipment	PE Teacher continually monitoring the stock of PE equipment within the school that is available for use. Purchasing any necessary replacement or new equipment that will aid the delivery of Sport and PE.	£1,977.97	that will improve the quality of the PE/Sport on offer within the school.	The equipment purchased is stored with the school PE cupboard and carefully looked after in order so that all staff can use it at any time for Sport and PE. Monitored with a stock check to ensure it is well maintained.

Leap Dance & Gymnastics –	Arranged for a gymnastics club to take	£850	Improvement of gymnastics and	Development of staff expertise
extracurricular club every week in school.	place at our school every Friday from		dance provision within the school.	within the school. The knowledge
Dance competition held in our school for	3:15 – 4:15 with Year 5 pupils.		Development of staff expertise with	gained by our PE coordinator
the second year running.			an increase in the knowledge and	through liaising with experienced
	Creating good links with Leap Dance &		understanding of up to date	gymnastics specialists can then be
	Gymnastics helped in the planning		gymnastics curriculum and topics	passed on to teaching staff and
	and running of a Dance Competition		through liaising with the staff of Leap	teaching assistants.
	held within our school. Not only did		Dance and Gymnastics. Increase in	
	we host the competition, but we		the number of extracurricular clubs	Liaise with Leap staff and
	entered teams to compete. This was		on offer and therefore the number of	0
	the second year of the competition		pupils taking part in extracurricular	all staff knowledge and
	and the number of schools and		sport. Increased the number of	understand of Dance/Gymnastics
	participants increased from the		children taking part in inter-school	as well as their confidence to
	previous year.		sporting competitions.	teach the topic during PE.
Key indicator 5: Increased participation in	n competitive sport		1	Percentage of total allocation:
				1%
School focus with clarity on intended	Actions to achieve:	Funding	Evidence and impact:	Sustainability and suggested
impact on pupils:		allocated:		next steps:
South Sefton School Sports Partnership	Continued to attend as many	£2,000 (as	Being part of the partnership enters	
– Silver Membership	competitive sporting competitions as	previously	the school into a wide variety of vast	
	possible throughout the school year.	outlined in Key	competitive sporting competitions,	
		Indicator 3)	which are held throughout the year.	
			Entering and attending the	
			competitions has greatly increased	
			the number of pupils we have	
			participating in competitive sport.	

Football Kits - Extra football kits to match	Purchased extra football kits to	£77.02	Purchasing extra football kits has	
the kit we already have at school	enable the selection of more children		allowed our school to increase	
	at football events.		participation in football events by	
			selecting more players for	
			extracurricular matches and entering	
			two teams into inter school	
			tournaments and competitions.	
Registration to the Bootle & District	Continued to play all of the schools'	£75	Increased pupil participation in	
Primary Schools Football Affiliation	league and cup fixtures organised by		competitive sport competitions.	
	the Bootle & District Primary Schools		Giving children the opportunity to	
	Football Association.		compete in league and cup fixtures	
			throughout the school year against	
	Liaised with PE Coordinators from		other local primary schools.	
	other school to create girls only			
	football league.		Completed league and cup fixtures	
			for the season. Organised friendly	
	Generated good links with other		fixtures for a wide variety of teams	
	schools within the football league in		and year groups throughout the	
	order to arrange friendly fixtures for		school year. Completed fixtures for	
	not only the schools regular football		the girls football league, increasing	
	team but also 'B' and 'C team' games.		participation and ensuring gender	
			equality within sport throughout the	
			school.	

Swimming and Water Safety

• Swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres

• Use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke]

• Perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations.

Meeting national curriculum requirements for swimming and water safety	Please complete all of the below:
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres?	41%
N.B. Even though your children may swim in another year please report on their attainment on leaving primary school.	
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke]?	10m front and back only - 53% 25m front and back only – 39% Front, back and breast stroke – 2%
What percentage of your current Year 6 cohort perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations?	Treading water and collecting brick - 71%
Schools can choose to use the Primary PE and Sport Premium to provide additional provision for swimming, but this must be for activity over and above the national curriculum requirements. Have you used it in this way?	No

Impact of the Sports Premium Funding at All Saints:

Delivering a Broad and Varied Physical Education Curriculum

Early Years Foundation Stage

Between the ages of 3 and 6 children develop fundamental movement skills which include; running, jumping, hoping, skipping, climbing, throwing, catching, kicking and striking. They are the building blocks that enable them to progress and develop a full range of skills. The Physical Education programme at All Saints Catholic Primary School enables Early Years and Foundation Stage children to develop physical literacy and these all important fundamental skills which form the foundation for more complex skills to be developed in later years.

Key Stage 1 and 2

Pupils are given the opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a range of activities and will be encouraged to take on the roles of performer, coach and official. As individuals and often working in small groups, they will access all of the facilities on site, acquiring, developing and refining physical skills. This will allow pupils to develop physical and social skills, enabling them to make positive contributions to the wider school community.

At All Saints Catholic Primary School, we offer a wide and varied curriculum within Physical Education which is delivered by a Physical Education specialist teacher.

Each term pupils are provided with the opportunity to develop a knowledge and understanding of a different sport / activity. They learn the rules of the sport and also develop the skills needed to compete within that particular sport. The sports / activities included within the curriculum are:

- Football
- Basketball
- Netball
- Tag Rugby
- Cricket
- Rounders
- Gymnastics
- Athletics
- Handball
- Swimming
- Dance
- Multi-Skills
- Hockey
- OAA

The opportunities within Physical Education are also extended to Extra-Curricular sport with after school clubs such as Football, Dance, Cricket, Basketball, and Netball being made available throughout the year for pupils.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Extra-Curricular sports clubs have always proven to be very popular with children in our school. This school year there has not only been an increase in the number of clubs on offer but also the number of children attending the already existing clubs. The clubs have proven to be very popular with both boys and girls with many of them continuing to run all year round.

CLUBS (September 2021 – July 2022)	TERMS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN TAKING PART 2021/2022
Year 6 Football	Terms 1 to 6	28
Year 5 Football	Terms 1 to 6	33
Year 3 Orienteering	Terms 5 to 6	38
Year 4 Orienteering	Terms 5 to 6	33
Year 5 Orienteering	Terms 5 to 6	40
Year 6 Orienteering	Terms 5 to 6	34
Year 5 Gymnastics	Terms 1 to 6	16
'Active Kids' – Lunch Time	Terms 1-6	16 (per session)
Club		320 (total for the year)
Year 6 Cricket	Terms 5-6	22

Increased Participation in Competitive Sporting Events

The sporting events and competitions that we attended in the last school year (2021-2022) can be seen below. All of the events attended are logged with South Sefton School Sports Partnership and contribute toward the School Games Mark Application:

- Year 1 Football Everton Football Club Academy Tournament
- Year 2 Football Everton Football Club Academy Tournament
- Year 3 Football Everton Football Club Academy Tournament
- Year 4 Football Everton Football Club Academy Tournament
- Year 5 Football Everton Football Club Academy Tournament
- Year 6 Football Everton Football Club Academy Tournament
- Year 5/6 Football Bootle & District Primary Schools League
- Year 5/6 Football Bootle & District Griffith Cup
- Year 5/6 Football Dowd Cup Tournament
- Year 5 Football Fay Cup
- Year 5/6 Foot Golf
- South Sefton Key Stage 2 Indoor Athletics Competition
- South Sefton Key Stage 1 Indoor Athletics Competition
- Year 4 Grand National Themed Multi Skills Festival

- Year 5/6 Cricket
- Year 5/6 Tag Rugby
- Year 5/6 Dodgeball Tournament x 2
- Year 5/6 Girls Dodgeball Tournament
- Year 5/6 Inclusive Quad Kids Athletics
- Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics
- Year 5/6 Basketball
- Year 3/4 Tri-Golf
- Year 5/6 Tri-Golf
- Sefton Schools Swimming Gala (Postponed and still not back up and running since the Covid19 Pandemic)
- South Sefton Rounders' Tournament
- South Sefton Key Steps Gymnastics Competition
- Year 6 Girls Football Week Tournament
- Year 6 Girls World Cup Football Tournament
- Year 3/4 Girls Football Tournament
- Year 6 Girls Football Jade Matthews Shield
- Year 3/4 Change 4 Life Festival
- Leap Dance & Gymnastics Key Stage 2 Dance Competition

Below is a table containing the number of children selected to take part in competitive sporting events this school year. Some of the children will be involved in more than one team so are therefore counted twice.

Competitive Sporting Events (September 2021 –	TERMS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN
July 2022)		TAKING PART 2021/2022
Year 1 Football - Everton Football Club Academy	Terms 4/5	10
Tournament		
Year 2 Football - Everton Football Club Academy	Terms 4/5	10
Tournament		
Year 3 Football - Everton Football Club Academy	Term 4	10
Tournament		
Year 4 Football - Everton Football Club Academy	Term 2	10
Tournament		
Year 5 Football - Everton Football Club Academy	Term 2	10
Tournament		
Year 6 Football - Everton Football Club Academy	Term 2	10
Tournament		
Year 5/6 Football - Bootle & District Primary	Terms 1 - 6	14
Schools League		

Year 5/6 Girls Football - Bootle & District Primary	Terms 1 - 6	14
Schools League		
Year 6 Football - Bootle & District Griffith Cup	Term 1	10
Year 5 Football - Fay Cup	Term 1	10
Year 5/6 Football - Dowd Cup Tournament	Term 2	10
Year 5/6 Foot Golf	Term 1	6
South Sefton Key Stage 2 Indoor Athletics	Term 4	30
Competition		
South Sefton Key Stage 1 Indoor Athletics	Term 1	24
Competition		
Year 4 Grand National Themed Multi Skills	Term 4	8
Festival		
Year 5/6 Cricket	Term 6	10
Year 5/6 Indoor Cricket	Term 2	10
Year 5/6 Tag Rugby	Term 6	10
Year 5/6 Inclusive Quad Kids Athletics	Term 5	8
Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics	Term 6	10
Year 5/6 Basketball	Term 2	6
Year 3/4 Tri-Golf	Term 1	6
Year 5/6 Tri-Golf	Term 2	6
Year 5/6 Dodgeball Tournament	Term 2	8
Year 5/6 Dodgeball Tournament	Term 6	8
Year 5/6 Girls Dodgeball Tournament	Term 6	8
Year 5/6 Seated Volleyball Tournament	Term 3	6
Bootle Schools Swimming Gala	Term 4	N/A
South Sefton Rounders' Tournament	Term 5	10
South Sefton Key Steps Gymnastics Competition	Term 5	4
Year 6 Girls Football Week Tournament	Term 4	14
Year 5/6 Girls Football Tournament (two teams	Term 5	20
entered)		
Year 3/4 Girls Football Tournament (two teams	Term 4	20
entered)		
Year 6 Girls Football - Jade Matthews Shield	Term 6	9
Year 3/4 Change 4 Life Festival	Term 2	12
Leap Dance & Gymnastics – Key Stage 2 Dance	Term 2	24
Competition		
TOTAL		395

Our school has grown from strength to strength in terms of competitive sport over the last years. Increasing not only the number of events we attend but also increasing success rate we achieve at the events.

Sports Apprenticeship Scheme

For many years now All Saints has been involved in the training of aspiring sports coaches by creating links with local education providers to employ, train, guide and mentor young adults through NVQ qualifications in sports coaching. We have created strong links with The Jamie Carragher Foundation, Progress Sports and JM Recruitment. We currently employ an apprentice on a full-time basis who works alongside our specialist PE teacher in order to complete a Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Supporting the Delivery of Physical Education and School Sport with JM Recruitment. This qualification has been developed in partnership with the Association for Physical Education.

The idea of the apprenticeship is to give young students the opportunity to not only complete the NVQ qualification but gain valuable experience working alongside a trained professional. This qualification can lead to paid or voluntary employment in roles which involves leading activities for adults or young people. It could also be used as a progression to a sports specific coaching qualification. The skills and knowledge developed through this qualification may also be used to enable learners to progress to other industry-relevant qualifications in activity leadership, leisure operations or operational services.

Our apprentice is progressing well as a sports coach/teacher and is now organising and running lunch time sessions to ensure that pupils are participating in fun active sporting activities during their lunch time. She is developing a full understanding of all the roles involved with being a school PE teacher and setting a positive example as a role model for the pupils within our school. Some of the major benefits of employing an apprentice at our school to work alongside our specialist PE teacher have included: being able to increase the number of extracurricular clubs on offer both during lunch time and after school. Contributing to the competitive sport programme by helping with the organisation of school teams and events. Organising fundraising sports events to raise money for charities.

Outdoor and Adventurous Activities

We have completed a fourth successful Year 6 residential trip with PGL to Winmarleigh Hall in Preston. The trip involves staying over for two nights/three days and taking part in a wide variety of challenging OAA activities. 42 children from Year 6 attended the multi activities trip and experienced many outdoor activities such as: canoeing, rock climbing, orienteering, high ropes, low ropes, problem solving and obstacle courses.

Outdoor Activities are not only going from strength to strength within the school but also proving very popular with all of the children taking part. We have run

Orienteering sessions during PE lessons and we are now in the process of organising school trips to local indoor rock climbing centres. The Sports Premium funding will help with this and not only provide many of our children with their first experience of rock climbing but also strengthen the Outdoor Activities programme being run at our school.

Crosby Lakeside Adventure Centre – Water Sports Sessions

In this school year we continued to provide the provision on offer at our school for Outdoor and Adventurous Activities (OAA) by organising water sports sessions at Crosby Lakeside Adventure Centre. The sessions were for Year 5 children and involved experiencing activities such as: kayaking, canoeing, sailing and bell boating. All children in Year 5 attended and greatly increased their knowledge and understanding within the area of water sports while also having fun.

All Saints Daily Mile

Since September 2015 many of our Year groups have been participating in a daily exercise programme called the 'Daily Mile.' The idea was taken from St Ninian's Primary School in Stirling who received lots of media coverage for the introduction of a 'Daily Mile.' The idea being that children within the school complete a mile a day. They down their pencils and head out of the classroom to start running laps around the school field. For three-and-a-half years, all pupils at St Ninian's primary have walked or run a mile each day. They do so at random times during the day, apparently happily, and despite the rise in childhood obesity across the UK, none of the children at the school are overweight.

After reading this newspaper article and seeing the story reported on the news, it was decided that we as a school would mimic this idea due to the many benefits described as being achieved by the reports. The 'Daily Mile' has been well received by a large number of children within the school with many of them enjoying leaving the classroom for a brief period to complete the task. Some complete the full mile running as fast as they possibly can without stopping while others sometimes walk and jog. Not all can complete the mile running but the idea is that they set targets to progress and improve their fitness.

We have dramatically increased the number of children taking part in daily physical activity by engaging them with this exercise programme. We continually look for ways to encourage participation and engage pupils in the Daily Mile with fresh new ideas. This year our PE specialist created a map of the world with steps that could be taking each time the Daily Mile was completed. Each class would try to travel around the world and earn stamps on a passport for visiting countries on this map.