PE and Sports Grant Strategy – 2025/26

For the financial year 2025/26, the school will receive a £21,150 grant. This is to support the provision of PE for children attending Sherwell Valley Primary School. We have used this funding to support the priorities identified in our most recent PE and Sports Grant Strategy which were:

1. To support children in accessing a wider range of sports and clubs in and after school (particularly in Key Stage 1).
2. To create opportunities for staff to work alongside high-quality professional sports coaches modelling best practice that staff are able to replicate in their own PE sessions.
3. To develop what is offered to children at play times so that there is the opportunity for children to participate in high-quality physical activity.
4. To support staff in helping children attend outside of school events (festivals, competitive events) etc.

5. To prioritise essential swimming skills for those children in KS2 that find swimming challenging.

6. To help our most vulnerable pupils develop positive relationships in school through sport.

How will the funding be spent in 2025/26?

What we are doing	Why?	How much (£)	Which priority does this meet?
Partnership with Torquay United Community Sport Trust & other external providers.	To support children in accessing a wider range of sports and clubs in and after school (particularly in Key Stage 1). Achieve 4 All holiday provisions provided for key workers and our most vulnerable pupils in order to keep them active during the holidays.	£4550	1
Partnership arrangement and access to sporting opportunities	This is an agreement with Torquay Academy & Torquay United Community Sports Trust where they offer children at Sherwell Valley access to a variety of sporting sessions and coaches either our or their site. This is for both inclusive and elite sport.	£3000	1, 2 & 4
Increased level of Mealtime Assistants	We have increased the level of mealtime assistants on each playground in order to facilitate safe active sport at lunchtimes.	£3,800	3 & 6

Targeted Intervention	TUCST are working with cohorts of children, delivering racism workshops through the eye of sports. There are also class Social Action projects taking place and targeted 1:1 work happening in order to support individual children.	£760	6
Staff CPD	Weekly CPD sessions for staff to develop the teaching of PE and increase confidence levels.	£3800	2
Development of key swimming skills for KS2 children.	Booster swimming sessions that enable key skills of swimming to be taught so that high numbers of children leave Sherwell Valley being able to swim the required 25m and have a suitable level of water safety.	£840	5
PE Sustainable Improvement Project	Purchase of new indoor table tennis tables to enhance PE lessons and extra-curricular activities.	£2000	1, 2 & 6
Events	To ensure that the pupils get opportunities to engage in sport for both inclusion and elite, locally and at county and national level.	£2400	4
	TOTAL	£21,150	
	Contribution from the main school budget	£0	

How do we expect this to impact children in School?

The additional after school clubs, run by specialist sports providers, will give the opportunity for up to 18 children to attend each club every half term giving them access to the additional multi-skills and sporting opportunities offered. We will continue to work with the organisations running the clubs for us to ensure that the children who attend are offered the opportunity to continue their experience outside of school to further their sporting participation.

The increase in mealtime assistants will continue to support children in accessing a wide range of physical activities, games and equipment throughout the lunch period. They have focused on involving those who are currently less active in games and activities.

We will continue to support teachers in enabling children from across Key Stage 2 particularly to attend sports competitions, tournaments and festivals. These opportunities will require an additional level of staffing and cover for teaching staff while they are accompanying children but allow the children to experience these events and gain a lifelong love of physical activity.

The CPD package for teachers will enable children to get high quality coaching in their PE lessons and teachers will learn key skills in teaching PE.

Key groups of children will receive specialist provision through targeted support in order to equip them with the necessary skills to access PE and sport.

More children will be able to swim the recommended 25m+ by time they leave KS2 and will have a good level of understanding around water safety.

How will this funding support sustainable improvements in sport and PE in the school?

The increased provision on the playground will ensure that children will have a safe and designated space to participate in their choice of activities. Having skilled staff with a background in PE on the playground will encourage children to be active along with being taught core skills. This will help develop PE beyond the 2 hour curriculum offer. Staff will offer provision that encourages those children who are less active to participate. It will also ensure that the children who leave our school, which is located by the sea, have the life skills to keep them safe around water.

The sustainable projects will encourage children to have an active playtime and lunchtime and explore routes into external local clubs. Having better equipment will encourage children to be more proactive in playing sport and enjoying it, thus encouraging higher participation in school and outside. It will also raise the profile of sport in school.