

NEW PESS FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT March 2013

The new fund is worth £150 million per annum for the next two years. Funded by the Department for Education (£80m), the Department of Health (£60m) and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (£10m), **it will see funds go directly into the hands of primary school head teachers for them to spend on sport.** In a move that shows the Government's commitment to school sport **the Sport Premium will be ring fenced and can only be spent on sport provision in schools. No other funding for schools is ring-fenced.**

Funding for schools will be calculated by reference to the number of primary-aged pupils (i.e. children between the ages of 5 and 11). **All schools with seventeen or more primary-aged pupils will receive a lump sum of £8,000 plus a premium of £5 per pupil.**

Smaller schools will receive the sum of £500 per pupil. Thus: a school with 16 eligible pupils would receive £8,000; a school with twelve such pupils would receive £6,000; and a school with five such pupils – the smallest that we know of – would receive £2,500. We have agreed with Her Majesty's Chief Inspector, Sir Michael Wilshaw, that Ofsted will strengthen its coverage of sport within the Inspectors' Handbook and supporting guidance, **so that schools and inspectors are clear about how sport will be assessed in future as part of the overall provision offered by the school.** A revised version of the handbook will be published for implementation from September 2013. The handbook is what all inspectors follow when doing their inspections and these changes will ensure that sport is a high priority for inspectors and will hold schools to account appropriately.

The revised handbook will ask inspectors to consider: **“How well the school uses its Sport Premium to improve the quality and breadth of its PE and sporting provision, including increasing participation in PE and sport so that all pupils develop healthy lifestyles and reach the performances levels they are capable of.”**

The Government and Ofsted will provide schools with information on effective practice taken from case studies provided by the very best award winning schools. One year on, Ofsted will carry out a survey reporting on the first year's expenditure and its impact, holding schools to account for how they have used this money.

We will require schools to include details about their sporting provision on their school website, alongside their curriculum details. This will enable parents to compare sporting provision across and between schools, both within and beyond the school day.

In addition to the funding announced today, the Department for Education will continue to fund a number of smaller, targeted programmes, which are already helping to

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improve PE and sporting provision for young people. These include: work on sport for young people with a disability; volunteer coaches and leaders; and the Young

Ambassador programme. Furthermore, the Secretary of State for Education has already made clear that he proposes that PE should be a compulsory part of the National Curriculum at all four key stages after the current review.

The draft programme of study for PE has been published for consultation. It places a greater emphasis on competitive sport than previously, but still allows schools to provide physical activities for their pupils, which are suited to their needs. It also retains the requirement that all young people should be taught to swim as part of the National Curriculum.

The Secretary of State also proposes to run a pilot programme in initial teacher training for primary teachers, which will produce a cadre of 120 primary teachers with a particular specialism in teaching PE. Work on this programme will begin in summer 2013, with the first teachers beginning work in schools in September 2013.

With funding from Sport England sports governing bodies will provide a multi-sport satellite club in every secondary school. These will be available to every secondary school pupil on top of the sport and PE offer they receive as part of the curriculum. Some are being created especially to appeal to girls who often give up on sport when they leave school.

We will monitor progress on this front by measuring the impact of these programmes on sports participation by 11 to 14 years olds.

Primary school years are crucial to tackling obesity and physical inactivity. **One in three children leaving primary school are overweight or obese.** Regular physical activity, not just competitive sport, is proven to reduce the risk of more than 20 chronic conditions including heart disease, cancer, diabetes and obesity.

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