North Molton Primary School

PE and Sport Premium Report 2025/26

Funding summary

Funding information	Amount
PE and Sport Premium allocation	**£16,661.00**
Total expenditure attributed to the grant	**£16,661.00**
Funding remaining	**£0.00**

The expenditure records supplied contain costs exceeding the school's PE and Sport Premium allocation. This report therefore identifies £16,661 of eligible expenditure to be funded through the premium. The balance of the transactions will need to be met from other school funding.

Expenditure and impact

1. Staff continuing professional development

Cost: £4,000.00

Funding was used to secure specialist coaching and professional support for staff. External specialists worked alongside school staff, modelling effective practice, sharing activity ideas and supporting the development of subject knowledge across a range of sports and physical activities.

Impact

Working alongside specialist staff gave teachers and support staff opportunities to observe effective delivery and develop practical approaches that can be incorporated into future lessons and activities. Staff reported greater confidence in organising activities, adapting provision and supporting pupils with differing levels of experience and ability.

The school has retained the knowledge, resources and activity ideas introduced through this work. This will support greater consistency in PE and physical activity provision and reduce reliance on external delivery over time.

Sustainability

- Staff can reuse the lesson structures and activity ideas demonstrated by specialists.
- Increased staff confidence will support future PE lessons and extra-curricular activities.
- Knowledge gained remains within the school and will benefit future cohorts.
- Staff are better placed to adapt activities for pupils with SEND or lower levels of confidence.

2. Extra-curricular activities, equipment and resources

Cost: £2,327.90

Funding was used to purchase additional sports equipment, including:

- football goals and footballs
- cricket bats, balls and batting tees
- a gymnastics mat
- athletics mini javelins
- basketballs and netball equipment
- hockey balls
- tennis balls
- dodgeball equipment
- bibs, cones, hoops and multi-purpose activity balls
- pumps and inflation accessories

Impact

The additional equipment has broadened the range of sports and physical activities available to pupils. It has supported PE enrichment, active playtimes, clubs and additional sporting opportunities.

Having sufficient equipment has enabled more pupils to participate at the same time, reducing inactivity while children wait for equipment. The range of resources also allows staff to organise activities at different levels of challenge and adapt sessions for pupils with differing physical, sensory or confidence needs.

The equipment has supported participation by disadvantaged pupils who may have limited access to sports equipment or organised activities outside school. It has also helped pupils with SEND participate alongside their peers through adapted group sizes, equipment choices and activity formats.

Sustainability

The equipment is reusable and will continue to support PE, clubs and active play in future years. Staff can use the resources to offer a wider range of activities without requiring ongoing expenditure at the same level.

3. Partnership staffing and additional physical activity

Cost: £3,402.74

A proportion of the Devon School Partnership Fund staff costs has been used to support additional PE, sport and physical activity provision.

The funded staffing supported opportunities beyond the school's ordinary curriculum entitlement, including additional activity sessions, sporting events, clubs, targeted participation and partnership working.

Impact

Additional staffing increased the school's capacity to provide opportunities for pupils to be active and to participate in a wider range of activities. The support was particularly valuable in a small rural school, where staffing capacity can restrict the number and variety of additional activities that can be offered.

Activities provided further opportunities for pupils who were less active, lacked confidence or did not routinely take part in community sport. Staff were able to provide encouragement, appropriate grouping and adaptations for pupils requiring additional support.

The provision contributed to pupils' physical activity, confidence, teamwork and enjoyment of sport. It also helped the school maintain a visible and positive profile for PE and physical activity throughout the year.

Sustainability

- School staff gained experience of organising and supporting a wider range of activities.
- Partnership links will assist the school in identifying future sporting opportunities.
- Activity ideas and organisational knowledge can be used in subsequent years.
- Targeted approaches can continue to be used to encourage less-active pupils.

4. External sports coaching

Cost: £1,227.86

Funding contributed to external sports coaching that broadened the range of activities available and provided pupils with access to specialist instruction.

Impact

Specialist coaching enabled pupils to develop skills in activities where the school benefitted from additional expertise. Pupils received structured instruction, practised sport-specific skills and had opportunities to apply these skills in games and activities.

School staff worked alongside external coaches where appropriate so that the provision also supported professional learning. This enabled staff to observe effective progression, organisation and differentiation rather than using coaches solely as a replacement for school teaching.

The coaching supported pupils with a range of starting points. Appropriate adaptations and encouragement helped pupils with SEND, disadvantaged pupils and those with limited previous sporting experience to participate.

Sustainability

Skills, activity ideas and approaches observed by school staff can be incorporated into future provision. The school will continue to use external expertise selectively to broaden opportunities and develop internal capacity rather than relying on it as the routine method of delivering PE.

5. Transport to sporting events and additional opportunities

Cost: £1,202.50

Funding was used to contribute towards minibus, taxi and coach transport for external sporting activities, including football and tennis opportunities and events at South Molton Community College.

Impact

Transport funding enabled pupils to attend sporting events and competitive opportunities that would have been difficult to access otherwise. This is particularly important for a rural Devon school, where distance and limited transport options can be a barrier to participation.

Attendance at external events gave pupils experience of representing the school, working with pupils from other settings and applying their skills in unfamiliar or competitive environments. These opportunities supported confidence, resilience, teamwork and sportsmanship.

Funding transport also helped ensure that access was not dependent on parents being able to provide transport or meet the full cost. This supported more equitable participation for disadvantaged pupils and families experiencing financial or logistical barriers.

Sustainability

Participation in local events has strengthened links with other schools, sports providers and community facilities. These relationships will support future opportunities for competition, festivals and inter-school activity.

6. Additional swimming and water-safety provision

Cost: £3,500.00

Funding was used to subsidise additional swimming provision through two payments of £1,750.

This expenditure relates to additional or top-up swimming support and not the school's core statutory swimming provision.

Impact

The subsidy reduced financial barriers and enabled pupils requiring further support to access additional swimming opportunities. Provision focused on developing water confidence, swimming competence, stamina and understanding of water safety.

Additional support was particularly beneficial for pupils who had not yet developed secure confidence in the water or who required further practice. This included consideration of disadvantaged pupils and pupils with SEND where additional support, repetition or adaptation was necessary.

Swimming and water safety are important life skills, particularly in Devon, where pupils may have regular access to coastal, river and outdoor water environments. The provision contributed to pupils' confidence and understanding of how to behave safely in and around water.

Sustainability

Pupils have developed swimming and water-safety knowledge that will continue beyond the funded provision. The school can use assessment information from the sessions to identify pupils requiring further support and to plan future top-up provision more effectively.

7. Competitive sport and raising the profile of PE

Cost: £1,000.00

Funding supported partnership activity, event preparation and opportunities for pupils to participate in competitive and inter-school sport.

Impact

Pupils had opportunities to represent North Molton Primary School and participate in structured sporting events. These experiences helped pupils understand the importance of preparation, teamwork, fair play and respectful competition.

The provision raised the profile of PE and sport across the school by recognising participation, commitment and improvement as well as competitive success. This encouraged pupils with different levels of ability and experience to become involved.

Participation was not restricted to pupils already involved in community sport. The school sought to include pupils who would benefit from increased confidence, a positive team experience or an opportunity to try an activity in a supportive setting.

Sustainability

Experience gained by staff in preparing pupils for events and coordinating participation will support future competition arrangements. Links established with local schools and providers will help the school maintain an appropriate programme of competitive opportunities.

Summary against the five PE and Sport Premium priorities

Priority 1: Increasing staff confidence, knowledge and skills

Total allocated: £4,000.00

Specialist coaching and joint working supported staff development through observation, modelling and practical guidance. Staff gained approaches and resources that can be used independently, improving the school's capacity to sustain provision.

Priority 2: Increasing pupils' engagement in regular physical activity

Total allocated: £3,402.74

Additional staffing supported physical activity, clubs and targeted participation. Pupils who were less active or less confident received encouragement and additional opportunities to take part.

Priority 3: Raising the profile of PE and sport across the school

Total allocated: £1,000.00

Competitive opportunities, partnership activity and recognition of pupils' participation helped maintain a positive profile for PE and sport. The school promoted teamwork, effort, improvement and healthy participation.

Priority 4: Offering a broader and more equal experience of sport

Total allocated: £5,827.90

This consisted of:

- **Sports equipment and resources:** £2,327.90
- **Additional swimming and water safety:** £3,500.00

A wider range of equipment and additional swimming opportunities helped pupils access activities that may not otherwise have been available. Provision was adapted where appropriate for pupils with SEND, pupils with lower confidence and disadvantaged pupils.

Priority 5: Increasing participation in competitive sport

Total allocated: £2,430.36

This consisted of:

- **External sports coaching:** £1,227.86
- **Transport to sporting events:** £1,202.50

Funding enabled pupils to prepare for and attend external sporting opportunities. Transport support was particularly important in overcoming rurality, cost and access barriers.

Financial reconciliation

PE and Sport Premium priority	Expenditure
Priority 1: Staff confidence, knowledge and skills	£4,000.00
Priority 2: Engagement in regular physical activity	£3,402.74
Priority 3: Profile of PE and sport	£1,000.00
Priority 4: Broader and more equal sporting experience	£5,827.90
Priority 5: Participation in competitive sport	£2,430.36
Total expenditure	**£16,661.00**
PE and Sport Premium allocation	**£16,661.00**

Funding remaining	£0.00

DfE online return categories

DfE expenditure category	Amount
Continuing professional development	£4,000.00
Upskilling staff to support swimming and water safety	£0.00
Extra-curricular activities, equipment and resources	£2,327.90
Memberships	£0.00
School Games Organiser network	£0.00
External competitions and external coaching, including associated staffing and transport	£6,833.10
Other expenditure, including additional swimming provision	£3,500.00
Total reported expenditure	**£16,661.00**

Overall impact

North Molton Primary School used its PE and Sport Premium to strengthen staff expertise, improve access to physical activity, broaden the range of sports available and enable pupils to participate in external sporting opportunities.

The funding helped address some of the practical barriers experienced by a small rural Devon school, particularly the cost of transport, access to specialist provision and the availability of suitable equipment. It also supported more equitable access for disadvantaged pupils, pupils with SEND and pupils who were less active or lacked confidence.

Investment in staff development and reusable equipment has improved the school's capacity to sustain provision. Staff have acquired knowledge and practical approaches that can be used in future years, while equipment purchased through the grant will continue to benefit subsequent cohorts.

The expenditure supported pupils' physical health, confidence, teamwork and enjoyment of activity. The school will continue to monitor participation, staff confidence, swimming outcomes and pupils' experiences to inform future spending decisions.