St Nicolas Sports Premium Report September 2025-July 2026 and aims for 2026/27

Impact of Funding – 2025/26

The school received **£18,530** of Sports Premium Funding in 2025-2026 (based on 255 children in school).

Spend of the fund included the following:

- Membership/affiliation with West Berkshire School Sports Partnership
- Salary payments for leadership and management time for P.E. and sports
- Cover for teachers to attend sporting events

Our Aims for 25/26 were as follows:

- The engagement of all pupils in regular physical activity
- The profile of PE and sport is raised across the school as a tool for whole-school improvement;
- Increased confidence, knowledge and skills of all staff in teaching PE and sport;
- Broader experience of a range of sports and activities offered to all pupils;
- Increased participation in competitive sport

The impact of these aims is laid out below:

The engagement of all pupils in regular physical activity

All children receive 2 hours of P.E. per week as standard, as well as a daily opportunity for physical exercise through the daily mile. This gives a total minimum amount of P.E. and sport of around 3 hours per week. In addition to this, there are several sports clubs which are run at the school including football, hockey, lacrosse and rugby and the school has participated in a significant number of external sporting events. All

children are well-engaged in sports and this could be clearly seen during the sports day in June, where all children participated with enthusiasm.

The profile of PE and sport is raised across the school as a tool for whole-school improvement;

The profile of PE and sport at St Nic's is high and all children know the importance of it. Children are proud of their school's achievements and a large percentage of children have participated in competitive sport both against other schools but also as part of the internal house structure within the school. Sports leaders organise games at lunchtimes, which raises the profile of sport further and provides leadership opportunities for older children in school.

Increased confidence, knowledge and skills of all staff in teaching PE and sport;

The P.E. scheme (Get Set for P.E.) has now been in place for three years and has had a positive impact on the confidence of staff in teaching P.E. and sport in school. P.E. lessons are consistent across all year groups and provide high quality P.E. to all children.

Broader experience of a range of sports and activities offered to all pupils;

The P.E. curriculum provides a strong range of different sports and activities including a range of sports within and outside the curriculum, a broad range of competitive activities, where there is an aim that all children will have an opportunity to participate and a range of other PE activities including dance and gymnastics.

Increased participation in competitive sport

The school is proud of the number of activities that children have the opportunity to participate in. Children from across Years 4 and 6 particularly have had opportunities to represent the school and their house in competitive sporting activities. A high percentage of children (over 90%) have done so this year.

Aims for 2026/27

With a reduced level of sports premium funding in 2026/27 (around £8000), the school will need to cut back on spending, ideally without impacting on children's outcomes. Our aims for the coming year are as follows:

- All children to be able to swim by the end of Year 6 – swimming provision will continue in 2026/27
- Ensure as many children as possible have the opportunity to represent the school – we will continue as members of the West Berkshire School Sports Partnership and will enter a similar number of competitions to last year
- Ensure disadvantaged children are able to experience a wide range of sporting opportunities – we will be tracking the uptake of our disadvantaged children with sporting opportunities
- Continue to develop our curriculum sporting opportunity – our P.E. leader will continue to have dedicated time to provide leadership of the P.E. and sports curriculum
- Ensure all children are active – we will relaunch our daily mile in 2026/27 to ensure all children have the opportunity to be active during every school day.