

The Changing Role of the Primary School PE Subject Leader

Since the introduction of the PE Premium we have seen a change in the way PE is valued nationally as there is now a lot more emphasis on PE in schools and pressure on PE coordinators to improve the area using the PE budget. At Ladymount we have looked at ways we are able to spend the funding and how we can use this funding to benefit and improve the physical but also the mental well-being of our pupils and staff, now and after the funding ends. We will be looking into what the role of a PE coordinator really involves and how we can best support our subject area. We will also be discussing and sharing alternative options how we can use the PE Premium to support us physically but also socially and mentally.

Innovative use of the PE and Sport Premium – A Whole School Approach to Active Learning

At Hillside Primary School, we value the direct links between active learning, mental health and attainment. Our aim is to be as active as possible by providing children with a range of exciting opportunities that allow them to learn and develop in different ways. This improves engagement, accommodates all learning styles and promotes healthy living. The Physical Education & Sport Premium has allowed us to try new things and develop a culture of being active across the school. We are passionate about active learning and ensuring that our use of the PE & Sport Premium is sustainable.

Learning to Lead. Primary Education Leadership.

Giving pupils the opportunity to lead is paramount in their overall development. The Play Maker award allows children to track and write down their leadership experiences through the use of a journal. They will be given the chance to enhance soft skills such as communication, teamwork and decision making as well as growing character traits such as confidence and resilience. This will be done through the programme where they will deliver suitable games to each other in a safe environment and learn to use the energy club cards which they will be able to use at lunch times and play times to increase other pupil's activity levels.

Learning to Lead. The Play Maker Award

As we all know, time as a PE subject leader is precious – few other areas of the curriculum are as time consuming on a day-to-day basis. The biggest breakthrough this year for me has been the use of Essential's PE Passport. The App has many features which all staff across the school use (planning, assessment, club registers), but as a subject leader it has meant that all the information and evidence I will ever need, is stored in one place. The App produces detailed reports on everything from club attendance to attainment, and for such a small percentage of our PE Premium funding, it is making a big impact!

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