Sports Funding 2014-15

As part of the government's Sports Funding initiative we receive £8000 in funding as well as an additional £5.00 per child. This money is being spent on a number of projects designed to widen the range of sports activities on offer to the children and develop each individual child's personal fitness.

In October all of our Reception children took part in Balanceability. This is a 'learn to cycle' programme for children aged 2-6 years old. It combines unique ergonomic balance bikes with a range of fun activities that build confidence, spatial awareness and dynamic balance skills enabling the children to learn how to cycle without needing stabilisers. The programme was very successful and we are hoping to repeat it next year.

In order to develop the teaching skills of the staff external trainers in P.E and gymnastics worked with teachers in early part of the spring term. This is part of the Richmond Schools' Sports Partnership. The trainers led demonstration lesson with each class so the teachers could observe, assess and see the very best practice in P.E teaching.

In the summer term the children in Y2 will access swimming lessons at Hampton Pool They will have the opportunity to learn this important safety skill as well as developing their swimming technique if they are already competent swimmers.

The children in all year groups have termly dance workshops with the Donrae Dance Academy. These workshops are extremely popular and as well as participating in the dance workshop, every child has the opportunity to perform to the rest of the school.

Other resources that have been purchased include hoops, sashes, storage for equipment, balls for outdoor games and in the summer term, new mats for gymnastics.