

Sports Funding 2018-2019

Stephen Hawking School received £16,788 in order to support the development of sport and physical education during the financial year 2018- 2019.

This money was spent on supporting the physical development of pupils, focussing on helping the children to gain in confidence and to have a sense of achievement. The refurbishment of the playground at the Brunton Place site has been designed to significantly support this.

Residential Journey

This aspect of the school's work allows the children to take part in water sports at Bewl Water Outdoor Adventure Centre. This supports the children in years five and six to access aspects of the National Curriculum such as 'taking part in outdoor activity challenges...in...unfamiliar and changing environments'.

Horse Riding

Some of the children go horse riding at the stables at Mudchute in Tower Hamlets. This has been very successful and supports other areas of work such as sensory integration. Horse riding gives many of the children with physical disabilities freedom of movement which they don't normally experience, and helps them to gain in confidence. In addition, the movement of the horse can help the rider to become more relaxed and can improve their balance and posture. We aim to move toward accreditation of horse riding with Riding for the Disabled.

Boating at Shadwell Basin

Groups of children across the school have had the opportunity to go boating across the last academic year. This has provided the children with the opportunity to take part in regular outdoor and adventurous activities as well as providing those children with sensory integration difficulties and postural management issues with the chance to develop greater independence skills

In 2019-2020 the funding will continue to be used for these activities, and also for the following:

Circuit

Daily use of the 'Circuit' will be improved by replacing damaged equipment with new, engaging equipment to stimulate children and create an inviting environment for their sensory needs. Circuit equipment will be purchased for the SJR site to develop this further there.

Swimming

Swimming is provided on both sites, and the sports premium will be used to pay for a percentage of the salary of a qualified swimming instructor.