St. Albans Catholic Primary and
Sport Premium Grant 2025-2026
Grant Total for 2025/2026 £17,720

Grant Spending Focus	Amount Spent	Information	Impact
CPD Developing Staff Expertise to Improve Swimming	£1311.67	Funded staff training for one member of staff to qualify as a lifeguard and swimming teacher The training developed staff skills and expertise in swimming, water safety strengthening the school's capacity to deliver these activities safely and effectively.	Pupils benefit from safer, more effective swimming provision and increased opportunities to develop water confidence and swimming skills.
Additional Swimming for SEND pupils	£1419	Funding was used to provide pupils with SEND with additional swimming sessions beyond the usual curriculum swimming provision. Pupils accessed up to 12 weeks of specialist swimming coaching in small groups of no more than four, allowing for more individualised support and teaching that could be adapted to their specific needs, abilities and confidence levels.	The additional provision had a significant impact on pupils, giving them more time, space and individual attention to develop their swimming skills at their own pace. The smaller groups helped pupils feel more comfortable and supported in the water, building confidence, independence and water safety awareness. For pupils who may find larger group sessions challenging, this created a more accessible and positive experience, enabling them to

			engage more fully and make progress in an essential life skill.
Equipment and Resources	£2088.54	Replenishment of sports equipment as needed. Maintenance of equipment –large climbing/agility equipment.	There is enough equipment for all children to participate and it is of good quality. We have the equipment to expand the range of activities on offer for PE lessons or clubs. Large outdoor apparatus which develops gross motor skills and balance and agility is maintained and repaired to meet H&S requirements – safe to use for pupils.

Forest School	£10115	Funding was used to provide Forest School sessions through Forest Ed, delivered by a trained Forest School leader. Every pupil from Nursery to Year 6 accessed a term of sessions, giving children across the school the opportunity to learn and develop skills in an outdoor environment. This provided valuable access to outdoor education and experiences that some pupils may not otherwise can enjoy outside school.	Forest School gave pupils opportunities to develop resilience, independence and motivation through practical, hands-on learning in the natural environment. Activities encouraged children to take manageable risks, solve problems, work collaboratively and persevere when faced with challenges. For pupils in our disadvantaged community, the provision was particularly valuable in broadening access to outdoor learning and experiences beyond the classroom. Pupils had opportunities to explore nature, develop curiosity, build confidence and strengthen their relationships with peers and adults. The sessions also supported physical development and wellbeing, providing a different way to engage in learning, particularly for children who benefit from active, practical experiences. Overall, Forest School helped pupils develop skills and attitudes that support their wider learning, personal development and engagement with school.

Extra-curricular opportunities	£2170	A variety of after-school sports clubs are offered, including girls' football, boys' football and mixed basketball, alongside opportunities for active play on the playground at lunchtime. These activities encourage pupils to be active, try new sports and develop a lifelong love of physical activity.	Active lunchtime sessions provide increased opportunities for pupils to be physically active throughout the school day, developing core skills, confidence and teamwork through a variety of activities. After-school clubs, including girls' football, boys' football and mixed basketball, alongside opportunities to experience sports not taught as part of the curriculum, such as boxing broaden pupils' sporting experiences. This provision enables more pupils to participate, supports improved mental health and wellbeing, and helps pupils discover new interests and active hobbies. For some, these

			experiences encourage them to continue participating in sport outside school, supporting the development of lifelong healthy and active lifestyles.
External inter-school competitions	£61*	Transport costs to attend sporting festivals and tournaments	Opportunity for participation in sporting competition within our local network of schools. Festivals/tournaments for Hockey. Teams are selected based on offering participation opportunity to those who perhaps aren't involved in sporting teams outside of school.

Membership and Subscription Fees	£555.75	Get Set for Education Funding was used to support the use of an assessment and tracking programme that enables teachers to monitor pupils' progress and attainment in PE. The programme supports staff in recording assessments, identifying strengths and areas for development, and tracking progress against curriculum expectations over time. .	The programme has strengthened teachers' understanding of pupils' individual progress and helped them make more informed decisions about planning and teaching. By identifying gaps in skills and areas where pupils need further support or challenge, teachers can adapt lessons to better meet pupils' needs. This supports a more inclusive approach to PE, helping all pupils to make progress, develop their physical skills and build confidence. Over time, the information gathered also helps the school evaluate the effectiveness of its PE provision and identify priorities for further improvement
	Total Spend - £17,720 **Available Funds - £17,720**		
Swimming Outcomes for Y6 pupils 2026	100% of pupils were able to swim competently, confidently, and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres 77% of pupils could use a range of strokes effectively (for example front crawl, backstroke, and breaststroke) 85% of pupils could perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations		