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Stanningley Primary School.

Stanningley PS has been an extremely proactive member of Leeds School Sports Partnership West since joining in 2006. However since 2013 its offer has developed so that it now consistently delivers outstanding practice in Physical Education, Physical Activity and School Sport. This has been made possible by exemplary leadership from the Head teacher and Deputy Head. Tammy Stott Moore the Deputy Head is the team leader for the PE offer and she must take much of the credit for putting in place the staff, structures, practice and resources to ensure all pupils in the school receive an outstanding offer.

Whenever I visit the school it is evident that PE, Physical Activity and School Sport are being used as a way of ensuring all pupils are engaged in Physical Activity. They are also used as an integral part of the schools behaviour management system and as a way to motivate and inspire pupils. As you approach the school you first see the most active playground I have ever seen in my 30 years + working in Physical Education. The school has invested in playground equipment; this was helped by a successful bid to the small playground fund. In addition to equipment the deployment of staff and young leaders is vital in supporting active play during breaks and lunchtime this ensures active, creative and safe play for all. Within the school building wall displays re enforce the positive messages of PE, Physical Activity and School Sport these are linked to all areas of the schools work. The school delivers a Change 4 Life club which targets the least active and pupils who are or are at risk of being overweight. This club has been extremely successful in targeting pupils developing their skills and giving them the confidence to access other activity opportunities after accessing the C4L club. A recent Healthy Eating initiative 'Food Dudes' reinforced the links between healthy eating, activity and good health. This combined initiative was extremely successful in engaging the least active pupils in healthy eating and activity. All school staff are committed to the belief that fit, active and healthy children achieve more and that for the children of Stanningley the school has a vital role to play in delivering this belief. The area of Leeds the school is located in means that without school support pupils and families would not find it as easy to access PE, Activity and Sporting opportunities as in other areas of the city.

The development of the PE team and the up skilling of all staff in teaching Physical Education have been extremely important in the schools progress. The team has a wide variety of skills, experience and expertise which ensures all pupils are supported in their development. Schools staff attends a wide variety of professional development opportunities at local and city level. The deployment of a PE specialist as part of the schools inclusion team and work of school PE coach are both examples of innovative and outstanding practice. The variety of opportunities on offer to pupils is second to none

and this ensure all pupils can find some form of physical activity which motivates them, whether this be in the form of creative, cooperative or competitive opportunities.

The staff of Stanningley whilst they are always extremely modest they are always very willing to support colleagues from other schools. Their website is used by Active Schools as an example of outstanding practice. The Stanningley PE team delivered a presentation to the Leeds Active Schools conference which was extremely well received. Staff from other schools have visited the school and have been supported in developing their practice.

Stanningley has achieved Gold School Games mark for the last two years. The school easily passes the criteria to gain the Gold award and it is one of a very few schools which has a targeted approach to ensure all pupils represent their school at sporting / activity festivals and competitions. This requires an amazing level of commitment from school staff. This commitment was clearly illustrated by the fact that numerous staff including the Head and Deputy were willing to organise and deliver an opportunity for many children to parade at half time at a Leeds Rhinos match late on a Friday night. This was part of the schools partnership work with Leeds Rhinos Foundation schools ambassador scheme. The school has numerous partnership arrangements with local sport clubs and always fully supports pupils in accessing sporting opportunities outside school.

I have no hesitation in fully supporting Stanningley's nomination for recognition in the Yorkshire Primary PE and Sport Premium Awards and I can think of no more deserving school. They are an inspirational school to work with, the impact the school has on their pupils is outstanding in the area of PE, Physical Activity and School Sport. I am proud to work with their team as part of Leeds SSP West and Active Schools.

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