

Wednesday 17th April, 2024

WEEKLY UPDATE

ALL SCHOOLS



School Games Mark Applications go live on 1st May 2024

We are counting down to the School Games Mark 2024 going live on the 01 May. We hope that you have time mapped into your diaries to submit your applications for this year! Schools have until 26 July to get their award applications in.

The School Games Mark Guidance documents have been launched for both mainstream and special schools, designed to support school staff to understand the criteria in more detail.

School Games Mark Criteria and Blank Application Form 2024

If your school has had 4 consecutive years of Gold awards this year could see you apply for the Platinum Award. Please contact the team asap to find out what the criteria is for this year's Platinum Awards

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Inclusive Health Check- have you completed yours?

Have you completed your Inclusive Health Check? Nationally we have witnessed an excellent start to the 2023/24 year with 1169 schools and SGOs already inputting their Inclusive Health Check data.

[This valuable tool can be found on your School Games dashboard HERE.](#) The Inclusive Health Check Early can not only support the assessment of a school's inclusion in PE and after-school activities, but also provides an action plan opportunity to increase the inclusivity of the school within the academic year.



We witnessed some excellent examples of inclusive practice within responses so far including:

- Rush Green Primary School in London who have implemented the STEP model into classes and used inset days to build teacher's confidence delivering this model. Their consistent review of practice through sports council, pupil and teacher voice has resulted in positive changes to the provision including the implementation of mixed teams participating.
- Dixons Cottingley Academy in West Yorkshire who have reviewed last year's Inclusive Health Check to evaluate their demographic of students and as a result have now implemented pupil voice in PE which indicated that a high percentage of their student population could not attend extra-curricular clubs due to attending mosque after school. This year they've adapted to a co-curricular offer to be more inclusive, and they've noticed an increase in attendance, especially from girls and SEND pupils.

If you need any support completing your Inclusive Health Check or have any questions, please contact the Inspire Together team inspiretogether@crownhills.leicester.sch.uk

Start Ultimate Frisbee in Your School!



In July 2024, UK Ultimate will host the World Junior Ultimate Championships in Birmingham!

As part of the event's legacy, they want to help more schools introduce the sport and get inspired! Be part of the Ultimate journey and give it a go at your school - it's cheap and accessible, all you need to get started are some discs and a bit of space.

Book a teacher training workshop or young leader course to help your school leaders feel confident playing games with discs - Ultimate is a fantastic way to include something new, get children moving and have fun doing it!

Free discs for your school:

- Affiliated schools can access free discs - read more [here](#)
- Sign up to the [UKU Schools Newsletter](#) and check out [UK Ultimate's website](#) to learn more about Ultimate.
- For more information, contact coaching@ukultimate.com.

WATCH THE 'HOW TO PLAY ULTIMATE FRISBEE YOUTUBE VIDEO HERE.



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PRIMARY AGE GROUPS



Walk to School Week 2024 - 20th - 24th May 2024

Living Streets is a charity that offer primary schools the opportunity to purchase resources to bring Walk to School week to life for pupils and staff. This year's challenge is 'The Magic of Walking' encouraging children to travel actively to school every day of the week. Meeting various magical beings along the way, they will learn about the important reasons to walk or wheel and its benefits for individuals, communities and the planet!

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Your class will work together to make as many active journeys as possible. Pupils will be tracking their progress each day on the fun and interactive classroom wallchart.
- Individual activity diaries, daily stickers and end of week pupil rewards will complement this activity, reinforcing the benefits and keeping children engaged.
- Classroom packs contain resources for up to 30 pupils and are available in KS1/P1-3 and KS2/P4-7 variants, featuring differing, age-appropriate curriculum-aligned activities.

INSIDE EACH PACK YOU'LL FIND:

- Teacher guidance
- One double-sided classroom wallchart / pledge poster

Daily stickers for pupils and wallchart

30 pupil activity diaries

30 end of week pupil rewards

For more information or to sign your school up [CLICK IMAGE](#)



Leicestershire County Basketball Team Trials 2024



Leicestershire Junior Basketball are holding open trials for this year's Leicestershire County basketball teams.

Trials are open to boys and girls age category - Under 11s Year 5/6

Over the next 2 weeks, we are hosting several trial dates across the city and county as we look to select our Leicestershire team for the East Midlands championships in June 2024.

Please could schools share this information with their basketball squad or any other students who they think may be interested.

For more information on the county teams and the forms for parents to sign please [CLICK HERE:](#)



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SECONDARY AGE GROUPS



Studio You FREE livestreamed session for secondary schools

Studio You, powered by This Girls Can, will be hosting a free livestreamed event on Wednesday 1st May designed to spotlight the barriers girls face to getting active and show how physical activity can be fun and accessible to all, regardless of background or ability. Open to all secondary schools across England, we're encouraging as many students from years 7-11 to attend.

Teachers can register on behalf of their students/school for free and whether they teach PE, PSHE or are heads of years, this event will highlight how students who get active also see improved behaviour, academic performance and engagement in school.

Hosted by BBC Radio 1Xtra presenter Swarzy Macaly live from a school in East London, this 30-minute event will feature an expert panel of diverse voices dispelling myths around the factors that impact girls' participation in physical activity and providing practical advice and solutions. The panel includes representatives from This Girl Can, Nike and more. We'll also be hearing directly from teenage girls about their experience navigating their relationships with sport and exercise.

[Learn more about the event here.](#)

Live event details

Date: Wednesday 1st May 2024

Timings: 11.15am - 11.45am

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