



SPAR Lancashire School Games 2021/22

The School Games is a national programme funded by Sport England and the Youth Sport Trust. In Lancashire the School Games Organiser network, Active Lancashire and SPAR will work in partnership to deliver a games which will provide young people with the opportunity to be active, play and move through festivals, virtual activities and challenges.

National School Games Mission



Putting physical activity and competitive sport at the heart of schools and providing more young people with the opportunity to compete and achieve their personal best.

SPAR Lancashire School Games Mission & Vision 2021/22



Mission: To provide children and young people with the opportunities to have fun, develop skills, and achieve personal bests through games, activities and competitions.

Vision: To provide a school games that will help young people recover from the effects of pandemic, and supporting those who may have been impacted the most.



Our role as a partnership...

The School Games national programme works towards meeting the following 5 outcomes:

- 1. To maintain and grow school engagement in the School Games -** Supporting schools to prioritise the delivery of 60 active minutes as an entitlement for every child to support improvements in their physical, emotional and social wellbeing.
- 2. To ensure physical activity and competition provision is designed to reflect the motivation, competence and confidence of young people and has clear intent -** targeting young people who need the intervention most (particularly but not exclusively those from Low socio economic backgrounds, minority ethnic groups, SEND, Girls)
- 3. To have a clear focus on transition points (Yr.3 and Yr.7/8) -** continuing the focus on secondary schools but recognising the impact in early KS2.
- 4. Create positive experiences that support the character development of young people -** through delivering inclusive high-quality leadership and volunteering opportunities
- 5. To engage and educate parents and other influential figures in the meaningful difference of the School Games -** participation in physical activity and competition will impact on young people's physical, emotional and social wellbeing creating lifelong habits

Lancashire priorities for 2021/22

For the 2021 SPAR Lancashire School Games we have prioritised young people's recovery from the pandemic, and using the school games as an opportunity to provide relevant, fun and developmental opportunities which are relevant for young people.

This includes a focus on:

- **KS3 & 4 Girls -** Our new This Girl Can regional festivals will provide opportunities for girls to be active through physical and mindfulness activities.
- **Transition -** A focus on those in Year 6 - 8. The opportunities provided will aim to provide fun experiences, and develop skills to help young people get ready for Secondary school.



- **SEND** - We are acknowledging the challenges young people with SEND have faced during the past 18 months. We are offering more opportunities throughout the year at our festivals for young people at Special Schools or in mainstream schools.
- **Year 3 & 4** - Develop skills, learn new games and provide opportunities for children to work as a team and achieve personal bests.

What we will offer as part of the SPAR Lancashire School Games?

- SPAR Lancashire School Games Summer Festival - 5th July 2022 (Stanley Park, Blackpool) * This will include new activities such as OAA & 'party in the park' celebration to close the festival.
- 3 x This Girl Can Festivals - Dates TBC (Pennine Lancashire, Coastal Lancashire, Central Lancashire) *Each of the 3 events will focus on local needs, but may include activities such like Les Mills, mindfulness activities etc.
- Special Schools Swimming Gala & SEND Activity festival - Dates TBC (Salt Ayre Leisure centre, Lancaster)
- Secondary School Sportshall Athletics - 16th March 2022 (Blackpool Sports Centre, Blackpool)
- Primary School & Small school Sportshall Athletics - 8th March 2022 (Blackpool Sports Centre)
- Dance Competition (KS2, KS3, KS4) -Dates TBC (Blackpool)
- Virtual Opportunities throughout the Year (Including Lancashire day 27th November)
*See the other SGO opportunities for schools below.



SGO/SSP organised events

These events are offered by the Lancashire School Games Organiser Network for schools across Lancashire and are separate from the SPAR Lancashire School Games.

- Mixed Teams & Girls Lancashire Schools Football Association County Finals 2021/22 - 14th January (Poolfoot Farm, Wyre)
- Lancashire Schools Football Association Small School's County Finals - 20th January (Poolfoot farm, Wyre)
- Rounders County Final (Year 9 Girls) 23rd or 30th June (Prairie Sports Village, Burnley)

You can find out more information by contacting your local SGO. Their contact details can be found here;

<https://www.lancshireschoolgames.co.uk/organisers>

Uniting the Movement Strategy

Learn more about Sport England's 10 year vision and plan, including their focus on children and young people; <https://www.sportengland.org/why-were-here/uniting-the-movement>