

BHS Parent Council – 2nd June 2021

Active Schools Update

Active Schools have reviewed our priorities to target the least active pupils, under the Council's Covid-19 recovery strategy for narrowing the gap between those who can and can't access physical activity.

Active Schools Co-ordinators will combine an extra-curricular programme with a presence in schools during the day, working on projects such as sports taster sessions, playground games and Bikeability in primary schools and the Young Ambassador programme and sports councils in secondary schools.

This will support pupils to reach the minimum exercise recommendation of 60 minutes of physical activity every day and contribute significantly to their improved health and wellbeing.

In line with Scottish Government commitments and under the direction of Sport Scotland which is Active Schools' majority funder, all Active Schools extra-curricular sessions will be free of charge to all participants and will largely be led by volunteers and local clubs; Active Schools Co-ordinators will work closely with school staff, parent councils, volunteers, community clubs and other key partners in developing extra-curricular programmes.

Where high school extra-curricular sports clubs continue to engage paid coaches, hire buses, etc, the collection of annual subscriptions and the payment of invoices for coaches, bus hires, etc will need to be processed through routes, for example, school admin or community sports clubs, as the Active Schools registration system will no longer have the facility to collect money.

A further change is that Active Schools will no longer prioritise supporting teams and entries for school sport competitions.

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