



FAQs for Schools

Definitions

Cancellation period – from Tuesday 17th March 2020 until schools officially reopen on the advice of the government (date currently unknown).

Pathway events – Competitions in which the winner competes at the county final. These are; Yr5/6 Basketball, Yr5/6 Sportshall Athletics, Yr3/4 Sportshall Athletics, Yr1/2 Infant Agility, Yr5/6 Handball, Yr5/6 Mini Hockey, Yr3/4 Quicksticks, Yr3/4 Tri Golf, Yr5/6 High Five Netball, Yr1/2 Rapid Fire, Yr3/4 Mixed Kwik Cricket, Yr5/6 Mixed Kwik Cricket, Yr5/6 Girls Kwik Cricket.

Non-Pathway events – Events and competition where the winners do not go onto a county final including all SST Leagues. These are; Speed Stacking, Reception Fun Days, Cross Country, Yr1/2 Multiskills, Inclusive Sports Festival, all Football Festivals, Badminton, Yr3/4 Handball, Pop Lacrosse, all Gymnastics, Whack and Splat Festival, all Tennis events, all Rounders events, Tag Rugby, Infant Games and Gruffalo OAA Festival.

Shepway School Games Competitions and Events

Q - Which events have been cancelled in the cancellation period?

A - The events that were cancelled are; Reception Fun Day (17th March), SST Mini Hockey League (18th and 25th March), Yr5/6 Girls Football (19th March), Reception Fun Day (24th Mar), Reception Fun Day (26th March), Yr5/6 Mini Hockey (30th March) and Yr3/4 Quicksticks (31st March).

Please note, more dates may be added depending on the length of school closures.

Q - My school is booked to attend an event and/or competition in the first 2 weeks of Term 5. I am concerned that I haven't got enough time to get permission letters out to parents. Will these go ahead?

A - Due to the swift closure of schools there is no time to prepare paperwork for events and competitions due to be held in the first two weeks of Term 5. Therefore, the decision has been made to cancel the following events and competitions;

Monday 20th April Yr3/4 Football 10am-3pm THSP

Tuesday 21st April Yr5/6 Pop Lacrosse 1-3pm THSP





Wednesday 22nd April Yr5/6 Pop Lacrosse 4-6pm

Tuesday 28th April Yr1/2 Gymnastics 1-2:30pm Folkestone Academy

Tuesday 28th April Yr3/4 and Yr5/6 Gymnastics 2:30-5pm Folkestone Academy

Thursday 29th April Yr5/6 Girls Football 12:30-2:30pm Greatstone Primary School

Q - Will the cancelled events run later on in this academic year?

A - At this stage, only the Yr5/6 Mini Hockey and Yr3/4 Quicksticks will be rescheduled if possible. Sarah Green will email all the schools who are currently entered informing them of the new dates. The schools due to attend the cancelled events will be emailed by Sarah Green to confirm this.

Q - Will the remaining events and competitions run as planned for this academic year?

A - Some non-pathway events may be cancelled as Sarah Green will need this time to deliver the Yr3/4 Quicksticks and Yr5/6 Mini Hockey and school delivery that was cancelled during the COVID19 outbreak cancellation period. Schools will be informed of any further cancellations either by a generic school email if the cancellation period continues into term 5 or individually if needed.

Shepway Sports Trust F51 Festival

Q - Will the cancellation period affect the F51 Festival

A - The F51 Festival Week will happen once the park is open provided the cancellation period has ceased. Further details of this will be released as soon as we have an official opening date. We are doing all we can for this to happen before July 2020 but please note that it is possible it could be in the 2020/21 academic year. We will share further details as and when we have them. Thank you for your patience and understanding.





Shepway Sports Trust In-School Delivery

Q - Should schools have concerns about any previous visits to our school before the cancellation period?

A- SST were efficient to write a policy for all their staff to follow when working in schools and the SST office. This policy was emailed out to all Shepway primary schools when it was implemented. All SST staff followed guidelines given out by the Government included in the SST policy.

Q - Is SST keeping a record of which sessions are not delivered during the cancellation period?

A - Yes Sarah Green has a central record of all sessions for the year which indicates which have been delivered, which have yet to be organised/reorganised and which were cancelled in the cancellation period. Within the ten days of the cancellation period Sarah will email each school's PE Leader individually their updated SST dates schedule correct until the end of the Easter holidays which will indicate which sessions have been delivered (green), sessions to be confirmed (TBC) and which will need reorganising due to the COVID19 outbreak (TBCC19).

Q - My school was due to have a Fun Factory session that was cancelled due to the COVID19 outbreak, what happens now?*

A - Ideally, SST will try to reorganise the date of your Fun Factory session and run this before the end of the academic year. This is obviously very dependent on how long schools are closed for.

*Please note this answer also applies to any of the following sessions which were due to take place in the cancellation period; afterschool clubs, Play Leaders, Intraschool Competitions, Mini Rugby, First Touch Football, Flyerz Hockey, First Step Gymnastics, Yoga, First Tee Golf, Boogie Bounce, American Football, Quicksticks Superstars, Tri Golf with the Pros!

Q - My school is due to have an SST club in Term 5, will this go ahead?

A - Sarah Green will be organising Term 5 clubs as usual over the next week or so. However, please bear in mind that these will only go ahead should the cancellation period cease.





Q - When will our in-school delivery resume in schools?

A – SST will deliver in schools again as soon as the government advise that it is safe for schools to officially reopen.

Q - How can we support school PE whilst working from home?

A – If you are missing PE Support during the cancellation period your PE Support Teacher can support you with lesson planning for the future, sports specific knowledge, stages of progression, differentiation, inclusion and assessment on request. Equally providing materials and exemplar resources to encourage participation levels of those children who forget their kit or present other restrictions. At this time, your PE Support Teacher can also help with administrative duties within these areas, please contact for Sacha Coleman, PE Support Teacher at s.coleman@shepwaysportstrust.org for any queries.

School Games Mark

Q - Is the cancellation period likely to affect my school’s application for the School Games Mark?

A – If we are back to normal after Easter this is unlikely to affect your School Games Mark application. However individual schools will need to check they are on target to meet the prerequisites and criteria by the end of the year. If the cancellation period is extended until the May half term then applications may be affected as school’s may not be able to attend as many KS2 competitions and events as they need to achieve for their Mark. If this is the case your School Games Organiser will raise this concern with the Youth Sport Trust (who govern the SGOs) with a view to amendments being made to the criteria to take into account the shorter academic year.

Q - Is there anything I can be doing to help my School Games Mark application whilst schools are closed?

A – Yes. The following will benefit your application...

- i. Complete your Inclusive Health Check
- ii. Explore www.activeschoolplanner.org
- iii. Complete at least one Activity Heatmap at www.activeschoolplanner.org (Silver and Gold only)
- iv. Collate school data into spreadsheets such as numbers of places taken up at extracurricular clubs, numbers of children managing, leading and officiating competition, number of KS2 events attended etc.
- v. Explore the Resources section at www.yourschoolgames.com
- vi. Plan your Sports Day/ School Games Day with cultural elements (prerequisite)





vii. School Games Day notice board statistics, quotes, photos etc.

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