

Autumn Competition Review 2018/2019

This is the start of the third year for Edsential competitions and it is great to see how the events on offer have grown in popularity. As we finished off last year the word competition is used lightly as some events delivered were competitive whilst the majority of events were delivered with a festival approach where participation and 'personal bests' were more important than the overall outcome. This year it is great to see that there are 25 events on offer, covering 18 different sports and being delivered over 16 different venues on the Wirral.

The autumn term has been very busy with 9 events being delivered covering 8 different sports. This clearly shows the wide variety of events that are on offer from Edsential. It has been great to see an increase in the number of schools taking part and also an increase in the number of pupils taking part in competitions.

The table below shows the impact of the Edsential events this term:

No of events	No of teams	No of participants	No of new participants	No of parents spectating
9	45	394	337	139

Edsential competition cater for all abilities and it is great to see so many new participants from schools. We also promote parent involvement at all competitions. I firmly believe if parents show an interest in an event their son or daughter is taking part in their support in maintaining their interest in PE and School sport is paramount.

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Feedback questions from schools

How would you rate the Edsential competitions you have taken part in?

(1 – 5 stars) 5 stars being excellent

Out of all the responses the **average rating was 5.**

Every school taking part have thought that the competitions have been excellent. This shows the organisation and delivery has been to that standard but it also shows that schools are importantly choosing the right pupils to attend these competitions.

What type of pupils have you identified for Edsential competitions?

Over **88%** of responses state that they identify pupils who are **new to school sport** and have never represented their school before. The remaining responses state that they identify **targeted groups** for example Pupil Premium students. Schools have bought into their ethos even more so than last year which is great to see. Edsential competitions have a clear focus on participation and enjoyment and it provides a great opportunity for the first time competitors to compete in a safe surrounding.

Do you believe the Edsential competitions have had a positive effect to the pupils back in their school environment?

95% of responses believe that the Edsential competitions have a **positive effect** on their pupils back in school. At all of the events delivered participation, fun, engagement and personal development is at the forefront of events.

Feedback from Teachers

"Really enjoyable; especially for our new shy girls" **Somerville teacher**

Really enjoyable afternoon. Not too serious so children were free to develop their skills and confidence." **St Bridget's teacher**

"This was a superb opportunity for our pupils to take part and they all really enjoyed it" **The Priory Head teacher**

Feedback from Pupils

"I enjoyed it very much. It was extremely amazing. I learnt lots and I think my skills have improved" **St Bridget's pupil**

"It was so fun. Everybody was friendly and we learned a lot" **Brookdale Primary, pupil**

"We've enjoyed playing games against other teams and meeting new people" **The Priory, Pupil**

Feedback from Parents

"My daughter is very shy and was scared to represent the school, but this event has been brilliant for and to see the smile on her face has actually brought a tear to my eye" **Hoyle Holy Trinity, Parent**

"It was great to see everyone so engaged and being active. This has done wonders for my son's confidence." **Somerville Primary, Parent**

"My son has loved this afternoon! Thank you for giving him the opportunity" **Overchurch Juniors, Parent**

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Upcoming Events:

The spring term is just as busy at the autumn term with 8 events on offer to schools. The events are as follows:

Event	Date	Venue	Time
Boccia	14 th January	St Bridget's primary	3.30 – 4.45pm
Year 2 Athletics	21 st January	St Anne's primary	3.30 – 4.45pm
KS2 New Aged Kurling	28 th January	St Bridget's primary	3.30 – 4.45pm
Year 1 Athletics	4 th February	St Anne's Primary	3.30 – 4.45pm
Year 3 Athletics	11 th March	Rock Ferry primary	3.30 – 4.45pm
KS1&KS2 Dance	18 th March	St Anne's primary	3.30 – 5.30pm
KS2 Swimming	25 th March	Woodchurch Leisure Centre	10 – 12pm

If you wish any further information or wish to enter any of the events in the spring term please let me know.

Thank you for your continued support this year I truly believe that the Edsential events on offer have a positive impact on your pupil's health and wellbeing.

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