

## VIRTUAL SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS COMPETITION

Years 3/4

ENTRY OPENS: Monday 2 November 2020

ENTRY CLOSES: Friday 4 December 2020

*Please check results submission process below*

The Dartford School Games Partnership is pleased to confirm its intention to continue providing Sportshall Athletics competitive opportunities despite the current COVID-19 situation.

*PLEASE NOTE: A decision will be made in early January 2021 as to whether the School Games area Years 3/4 Sportshall Athletics competitions and Kent School Games Finals (provisionally planned in June 2021) will be held with social distancing measures in place or virtually.*

### COMPETITION FORMAT

In order to qualify for the competition, school results sheets should include a minimum of five boys and five girls in each event. It is suggested that schools submit anonymised results from all participating pupils.

Schools are encouraged to involve as many pupils as possible and consider rewarding pupils eligible for the British Athletics Sportshall Awards.

Please note the DSGP Sportshall Athletics virtual competition follows the Sportshall Associates “School Games Pentathlon” format. The events can be held in a classroom or hall or on the playground or field:

Chest Push      Standing Long Jump      Speed Bounce      Vertical Jump      Shuttle Run

For detailed guidance on each event, please download the Sportshall Associates Teacher Guidance Notes ([download here](#)) and view the Sportshall Associates guidance videos [here](#).

Our virtual competition is open to any male or female pupil attending a school in Dartford and Swanley that is eligible for involvement in the Dartford School Games Partnership programme.

### COMPETITION PROCESS

#### INTRA-SCHOOL SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS COMPETITION

Every school should organise its own Intra-School competition to find its top athletes in each event and category. We advise that your Intra-School competition should be organised well in advance of the entry open and close period. The [Kent Year 3-4 Class File Spreadsheet](#) should be used to compile the Intra-School Sportshall Athletics Competition results. These can be compiled by teachers, members of the PE Department or Sports Leaders – please ensure that all entries are accurately recorded.

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## SCHOOL GAMES AREA INTER-SCHOOL VIRTUAL SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS COMPETITION

By submitting anonymised results (remove pupils' names before submitting), a school will automatically be participating in its local School Games Area Inter-School Virtual Sportshall Athletics Competition. Each School Games Organiser will announce its School Games Area Inter-School Virtual Sportshall Athletics competition results as soon as possible once all the results have been collated after the competition deadline.

### RESULTS SUBMISSION PROCESS

Schools must use the respective spreadsheets to officially submit results. Results will not be accepted in any other format. Schools must anonymise the data (by removing pupils' names) before sending to the respective SGO but keep a copy of the original spreadsheet for your own records.

#### [Kent Year 3-4 Class File Spreadsheet](#)

If the school or PE Department is going to promote its Intra-School competition or winning entries through social media, please do tag in your local School Games Organiser and the Kent School Games channels @KentSchoolGames and use the hashtag #DSGPVirtualSportshall and #SGPentathlon.

### RESULTS

DSGP will provide up to 25 certificates per school for the children and young people placed 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> in each event. Medals and certificates will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Dartford School Games Partnership competition.

### VIRTUAL COMPETITIONS – SAFEGUARDING CONSIDERATIONS

A 'Safeguarding Considerations' document has been created by Kent Sport to ensure the Kent School Games virtual competition programme maintains the safety and wellbeing of children and young people, through offering guidance and good practice to schools regarding the new virtual competitions. Please take time to read the document alongside the Event Specs.

### SPIRIT OF THE GAMES

Schools are encouraged to demonstrate the School Games Values and compete in our virtual competitions in the 'Spirit of the Games'. Teachers and participants are expected to demonstrate honesty and respect and compete within the rules. Schools may be randomly selected to submit video evidence to ensure consistency across scoring methods and to clarify results. Being asked to submit video evidence does not automatically accuse any school of not competing within the Spirit of the Games and teachers are asked to support SGOs if video evidence is requested. If a school has been found to submit false and inaccurate results then, if qualified, the school will not be invited to the Kent School Games final (virtual or physical). The Spirit of the Games Values can be found in the [resources](#) section of the Kent School Games website – just type "spirit of the games" into the 'find a file' function.

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## BRITISH ATHLETICS SPORTSHALL AWARD SCHEME

The British Athletics Award Scheme intends to provide teachers and grassroots athletics deliverers with a framework for curriculum time delivery (Level 1) of Sportshall Athletics and encourages skill development and fitness improvement.

The British Athletics Sportshall Awards are based on a series of ten familiar Sportshall activities designed to provide a well-balanced measure of skills and fitness. To complete an Award, children must complete any 5 events (for a Pentathlon Award) or all 10 events (for the Decathlon Award).

By participating in the Kent Virtual Sportshall Competition children and young people will have competitive results to encourage and reward individual progress. Schools can purchase Bronze / Silver / Gold Award woven-cloth badges and certificates from Eveque if they wish to recognise pupils. This is an eligible spend of Primary Sports Premium funding for Primary Schools. Please contact Adam Burgess to discuss your Award Badge and Certificate requirements. More information on the British Athletics Primary Sportshall Awards can be found [here](#).

**If you have any questions please contact Jon Rye, Dartford SGO - [ryej@theebbsfleetacademy.kent.sch.uk](mailto:ryej@theebbsfleetacademy.kent.sch.uk)**