

WEST OF SCOTLAND PARASPORT FESTIVAL

INFORMATION FOR STAFF,
PARENTS & PARTICIPANTS

MONDAY 4TH MARCH 2024

ON-X LINWOOD, BREDILAND ROAD, LINWOOD, PA3 3RA



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Introduction & Background

This document contains information on the upcoming West of Scotland Parasport Festival 2024 in partnership with Disability Sport Glasgow, City of Glasgow College and ONE REN as well as a number of Sporting Governing Bodies.

The Parasport Festival is aimed at children with a physical disability, vision impairment or hearing loss who attend mainstream school. Entry is open to pupils in P4-S6 across Argyll & Bute, East Renfrewshire, Glasgow, Inverclyde, Renfrewshire, Ayrshire, Dumfries & Galloway, North & South Lanarkshire and East & West Dunbartonshire.

The event is designed to allow young people to experience a wide range of parasports delivered by some of the best clubs and coaches available in the West of Scotland. We have selected activities where we have strong club links so children can continue to participate and develop locally.

In 2019, Scottish Disability Sport celebrated 10 years of Parasport Festivals. Please check out the promotional footage below. We hope this will help to highlight the aims and impact of the Parasport Festival.



[Watch on YouTube](#)



Event Information

Target Groups

The Parasport Festival is designed for children who have a physical, vision or hearing impairment in P4-S6. We would also like to actively encourage children with more severe physical disabilities to attend. It has been identified that these groups are significantly under-represented when it comes to participating in weekly sport or physical activity.

Event Staff

The SDS team will be supported by Sport Coaching & Development Students from City of Glasgow College, Sports Development Officers from SGB's and local community club coaches.

Date

Monday 4th March 2024

Location

ON-X Linwood, Brediland Road, Linwood, Renfrewshire, PA3 3RA.

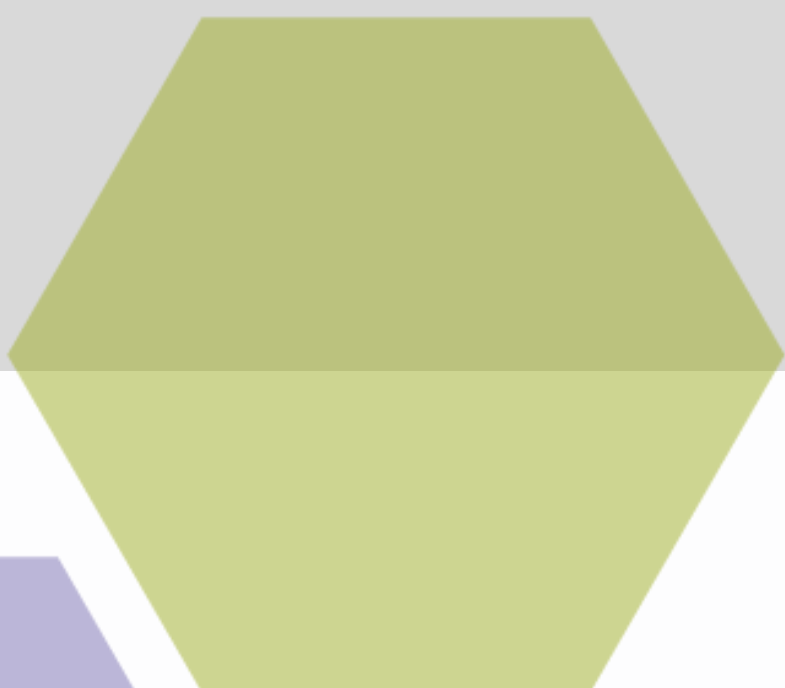
Timings

Registration will be open from 9.45am – 10.15am

The day will run from 10.15am til approx 14.45pm

Sports

Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Boccia, Canoeing, Cricket, Football, Martial Arts, Powerchair Football, Table Tennis, Tennis, Snowsports, Swimming.



Guidelines for Pupil Selection

Below is a set of guidelines for pupils who are eligible to take part in the Parasport Festival. (Please note that these lists are not exhaustive).

Physical Disability

- Achondroplasia (dwarfism)
- Amputees
- Arthrogryposis
- Brittle Bones
- Cerebral Palsy
- Dysmelia
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Muscular Dystrophy
- Perthes Disease
- Polio
- Spina Bifida
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Spinal Muscular Atrophy

Deaf/Hearing Loss

Sensory disability relates to an impairment to one (or more) of the senses. An individual may have no hearing (deaf) or hearing loss. Some examples include:

- Tinnitus
- Otosclerosis
- Stickler Syndrome

Blind/Vision Impairment

An individual may have no sight (blind) or an impairment to their sight. Some examples include:

- Tunnel vision
- Cortical visual impairment

There are a number of conditions for which this event is **NOT** suitable:

- Learning Disability
- ADHD
- Epilepsy
- Asthma
- Down's Syndrome
- Dyspraxia
- Obesity
- Scoliosis
- Fragile X
- Transplant recipients
- Diabetes
- Autism Spectrum
- Cystic Fibrosis

If your child has a learning disability, please contact your Regional Manager for further information and support.

Contact Information

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Registration

Participants can be registered [here](#)



Please note that registration will close on 26th February 2024

If you have any questions about the online registration or require additional support please contact: admin@scottishdisabilitysport.com | 0131 317 1130



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