



## Sports Services What We Do



### FOUNDATION

In order to build a strong pathway in sport a strong foundation is needed. The **Renfrewshire Leisure Sport Services** team provides opportunities for all children and young people to participate in a wide and varied sport and physical activity programmes throughout the year. For P1-3 children, there is a focus on activities that help develop movement skills, coordination and team work such as dance clubs, play clubs and early year's football.

For P4-7 children have the opportunity to take part in a strong sport based programme including hockey, rugby, tennis, badminton, athletics, netball, cricket, girls football and basketball.

Children and Young People have the opportunity to take part in a 4-6 week block of coaching in several of these sports and activities over the academic year. Sessions take place before school, at lunchtime and after school.

For secondary school pupils, there is an extensive School Sport Events Programme offering events across a range of sports. These events focus on interschool competition and bring together all 11 secondary schools at one venue. This School Sport Events Programme supports the extracurricular school based sports programme. It aims to complement and develop curricular and extracurricular activities as well as widening opportunities for students to take part in sport and physical activity.

For children and young people with additional support needs there is a programme of school based and Renfrewshire wide opportunities. All pupils have the opportunity to participate in various sports and activity within their school. In addition there is a strong local, regional and national sports specific programme for children with physical disabilities taking place throughout the year.

### PARTICIPATION

Having taken part in the extracurricular schools programmes, children and young people have the opportunity to attend local area festivals and tournaments to represent their school. These take place at the end of each school term and the winners of each event are invited to take part in the annual Renfrewshire Games Event in June. In addition, pupils can be selected to take part in regional and Scottish national events across the country. These local area festivals and events are always well attended. The children and young people enjoy taking part in sports as it enables them to put into practice skills they have learned whilst meeting children from other schools.

To develop, support and build on the school sport and activity programmes there is a strong and varied community club and development programme. These are based in secondary schools and open to all children and young people within the local area. We aim to develop a number of sports working with National Governing Bodies and local clubs.

### PERFORMANCE

The culmination of the school based clubs, festivals, tournaments and events comes in the form of the various local and regional championships.

These are a range of firmly established annual events that teams and individuals can take part in, such as the primary and secondary track and field championships, the X country and road race championships, regional sport events and the Renfrewshire Games Event.

Winners of the Renfrewshire championships can progress to representing their school and Renfrewshire at various Scottish national events throughout the year.

### CLUB LINKS

Sport Services works in partnership with a variety of clubs to extend opportunities for all children and young people. Local sports and activity clubs can be affiliated with their local sports hubs. The Community Sports Hubs are established in 6 areas across Renfrewshire. Sport Services work with clubs affiliated to the hubs to encourage children and young people to progress through a sporting pathway from school to club sport.