

Byker Primary School Gold School Games Mark - four years in a row!



We are delighted to announce that we, Byker Primary School, have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2024/25 academic year. We have achieved this award now four year in a row. We are looking forward to applying for the Platinum award next academic school year!

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:

- Launch of the Y4-Y6 Access Sports Pan disability session - sponsored by McDonalds
- Launch of the Byker Blazers running club
- Engagement in the FA Para Football Talent festival
- Attending Newcastle United Match Day experience
- Attending England U20's v Scotland U20's match at the Newcastle Falcons
- Y4/5 Walker Riverside Futsal tournament finalists
- Selected school to be part of the Youth Trust Sport Girls Active Leadership
- FA Equal Access School 2024 award
- Chance 2 Shine National State School Strategy pilot school
- Y5 RGS Floodlit Football tournament - 1st place

With a total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to:

- Newcastle Eagles
- Access Sports
- Northumberland Cricket Board
- School Games SGO (Ian Kendall)
- Newcastle School Football Association
- Newcastle Rugby Foundation
- Newcastle United Football Foundation
- Byker Community Trust
- Youth Trust Sports

We look forward to applying once again in 2026!



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