



*Out of hours activity funding for students on free school meals and children in care*



### **Funding for out of school activities**

The Beacon Learning Community has funding for children aged 5 – 16 who are eligible for free school meals or who are "looked after" to take part in out of school activities. The scheme will typically fund up to 2 hours of activity a week in term time and 30 hours over the holidays.

***Your child/children may qualify for funding through this scheme if they are eligible for Free School Meals or In Care.***

Examples of activities that we can fund are:

- After-school clubs
- Holiday play schemes & activities
- Languages, homework/revision clubs
- Scouts/Cubs/Brownies/Guides/Sea Cadets, St John's Ambulance etc
- Arts & crafts, dance, drama and music activities including music lessons – guitar, piano, flute etc
- Activities at Leisure or Sports Centres - eg swimming lessons, street dance classes etc
- Sports clubs and coaching – eg football, netball, basketball, boxing, tennis, cricket etc
- Outdoor pursuits – eg sailing, fishing, rock climbing, canoeing etc

There may be other activities your child is interested in which are not listed on this website and which may be covered by the scheme, so please ask. Funding may also cover insurance, joining fees and transport. In exceptional circumstances it may also cover essential equipment.

Accessing the activities is very easy, all you need to do is book your child/children on to their chosen activities directly with the activity provider, then complete the registration form (available to download) and return it to Mark Drew, Extended Schools Coordinator, Beacon Learning Community, c/o St James School, Summer Lane, Exeter EX4 8NN, at least 14 days before the activity is due to start. Your child/children can then take part in the activity and we will pay the provider direct.

Please contact me on the telephone number below if you would like to discuss this further or would like more information. If you need more activity registration forms please let me know or contact your local school.

Yours faithfully

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