

School's Out

February 2024 Report



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'School's Out' delivers **FREE Sport & Physical Activities** to children aged 5-16yrs, living within areas of **East Lindsey**. The 'School's Out' programme provides **opportunities for children to become more active and to socialise** with other children in a sporting environment, thus leading to making new friends. The programme is proudly delivered by **Magna Vitae's Community Team** and made possible through financial support from **East Lindsey District Council**.

Throughout the February half term, our camps saw **familiar faces return** after attending previous programmes – as well as meeting **lots of new children**. 'School's Out' was not without a headache or two. Due to things beyond our control, we unfortunately had to cancel two of our planned camps in **Wragby** and **Coningsby**... but the show still went on with our remaining planned activities!

Our week started with a double header in **Alford**. The School's Out team delivered two different camps to make full use of the facilities available at the **John Spendluffe Technology College**.

One team ran a **Football Camp** on the MUGA (Multi-Use-Games-Area), whilst the other team delivered **Netball** in the main sports hall. The children attending on both camps learned how to improve the skills of each sport, as well as playing lots of fun games and matches.

Day two saw the team deliver another two camps, this time at opposite ends of the district.

One team delivered a **Multi Sports Camp** at the **Magdalen Church of England Primary School, Wainfleet**, where the children learned the fundamentals in a variety of sports which included **Golf, Dodgeball** and **Basketball**.

The second team led a trip to the **Meridian Leisure Centre, Louth** taking a group of children from **Binbrook**. The children were transported via the **Wolds Community Minibus**, which was driven by a member of the team. The children enjoyed a morning of **Swimming** in the pool as well as the opportunity to **ride the flume**, followed by an afternoon of **Table Tennis, Dodgeball** and **Gymnastics** - amongst other fun games and activities in the centre's Multi-Purpose hall.

Wednesday was a wet one for the children attending the **Football Camp** at **Spilsby Recreational Ground**. Heavy rain overnight left much of the field unsuitable and waterlogged. The team arrived to the venue early to complete a pitch inspection and to ensure the venue was safe and suitable. After identifying some suitable areas of the field, including some last minute adaptations to the day's session plan, the team delivered a fun-filled day consisting of **skill based drills, competitive matches** with some rain, but lots of smiles and energy.

On Thursday, the team split up once more for the second time during the week, with the aim to deliver multiple camps across the district. One team travelled to **Horncastle** for a day of **Futsal** in the at **Banovallum School sports hall**. The children that attended worked on **dribbling, shooting** and **passing skills**, as well as taking part in lots of matches. The day concluded nicely with a competitive but fun tournament with the aim to develop team spirit, communication and team work!



The second team of coaches headed to **North Somercotes** to deliver our second **Gymnastics Camp**. This session was held at **Somercotes Academy**, we borrowed equipment such as Mats, Vaults and Beams from Magna Vitae Gymnastics and transported it to the school in a van, hired from **Lincs Van Hire**.

All hands were on deck to load up the van the night before, ready for an early start and a big set up in the morning! The hard work was rewarded with the session being full, with all attendees turning up to take part in the session! Many of the youngsters who attended had never tried the sport before, but upon leaving, had experienced something new... **With some having even completed their first ever cartwheel, handstand or forward roll!**

Venues Used/Partners/Local Business' Supported:

- John Spendluffe Technology College
- Meridian Leisure Centre, Louth
- Wainfleet Magdalen C of E Primary School
- Spilsby Recreational Ground
- Somercotes Academy
- Banovallum School
- Wolds Community Mini Bus
- Magna Vitae Gymnastics

Areas Delivered:

- Alford
- Binbrook
- Horncastle
- North Somercotes
- Spilsby
- Wainfleet All Saints
- Wragby

Feedback

- "Amazing events, which are well organised by the lovely staff." - **Zoe**
- "We just wanted to thank you for having my son today, He has not stopped talking about his day. He has had a lovely time. This is a massive achievement as he does not always mix well with people he doesn't know but you all made him welcome & feel at ease. Thank you." - **Emma**
- "Thank you so much for today. My son was really nervous as he has never done this kind of thing before but he has loved it" - **Katie**
- "The hard work and dedication from the team really shines through. You can see they are all passionate about providing free, fun activities to local children! My daughter loved it." - **Nina**

Summary

Across the February half term, our team **delivered 8 sports camps** in **7 different locations** over **4 days** to **153 children**.

The camps went down a storm across East Lindsey! Smiles were all around as the children took part in some fantastic activities. None of this is possible without the support of the East Lindsey District Council, the hard work of the Magna Vitae Community Coaching Team, or the ongoing support from our partners and venues. Thank you so much to all for helping School's Out to be such a **success!**

Our focus now turns to the upcoming Easter Holidays which will commence on Tuesday 2nd April 2024. There will be a bursting 2 WEEK 'School's Out' Programme... we can't wait!

Liam Fay | February 2024

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