

**Playground to Podium
Talent ID days**

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Friday 16th March at UEA Sportspark

Friday 23rd March at John Grant School, Caister

Thursday 29th March - Swimming ID session

Open to children with a disability in mainstream schools and special schools

The follow on assessment day will be part of Norfolk's School Games on either the 18th or 19th June

Any questions please contact
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'Playground to Podium'

Dear Colleague,

Further to our letter sent at the end of last term this is to confirm details of the 'Playground to Podium' talent identification days that will be held at:

The UEA Sportspark on the 16th March 2012

The John Grant School Caister on the 23rd March 2012

Swimming ID Session on 29th March at UEA Sportspark

This will be an opportunity for your students to come along and sample 5 Paralympic sports – athletics, wheelchair basketball, boccia, football and table-tennis and also to try their hand at some cricket skills. Schools and students can choose which of these two events is the most convenient for them to attend and indicate on the enclosed entry form.

This day is open to those students who fall into one or more of the following categories:

- Amputees
- Wheelchair users
- Cerebral palsy
- Spina bifida
- Visually impaired
- Hearing impaired
- Severe Learning difficulties

Each sport will be organised into 30 minute slots and will be run by qualified coaches representing the appropriate National Governing Body. Students will be divided into five groups and will carousel around the sports. During the day the coaches will be carrying out talent identification. **Following the day, students who have been identified will be notified and informed of the follow-up event which will be part of the Norfolk School Games on the 18th and 19th of June 2012.**

At this stage, we are encouraging all students to come along and take part in what we hope will be a very enjoyable and inclusive day of sport.

Students should arrive between 9.45am and 10am for registration. At 10.15am we do a fun warm-up session for everybody and at 10.30am the first sport session will begin. The day will finish by 2.15pm

Students, accompanying staff/parents/carers will need to bring a packed lunch and drink. All activities will take place inside so please ensure students bring appropriate footwear and clothing for all the sports.

If you have any students who would like to take part in this exciting opportunity please complete the enclosed entry form and return by **2nd March** at the latest.

There will be an official photographer present during the day. We would be grateful if you would obtain parental permission for photographs to be taken. **If any student is not able to be photographed could you please make us aware of this at registration.**

If you have any queries relating to this event please do not hesitate to contact me, particularly if you are unsure whether a student would be suitable to attend.

Best wishes

Ellen Vanlint
Active Norfolk

ENTRY FORM

Playground to Podium – Talent Identification Day

Venues: UEA Sportspark on Friday 16th March
John Grant School, Caister on Friday 23rd March
UEA Sportspark Swimming on Thursday 29th March

This is to confirm that we have student(s) who would like to take part in one of the above events. Event we will be attending (please tick as appropriate):

UEA Sportspark 16th March

John Grant School, Caister 23rd March

Swimming 29th March

Name of School:

Name of Contact Member of Staff:

Contact member of staff's telephone number and email address:

Please enter student details in table below. You may bring as many students as you think would benefit from such a day. If you have more students than spaces below, please continue on back of form.

Name of Student	Contact address*	Date of Birth	Category of disability	Medication staff may need to be aware of	Photo consent given

*Either home address or school address if you are happy to distribute any follow up letters.

ENTRY FORM (Cont.)

It is expected that individual students may well be accompanied to the event by a parent/carer rather than school staff. So if the contact for the day is not as on page one please make us aware who is responsible for that student on the day please complete below:

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Name of accompanying adult	Relationship to student – e.g. member of staff, parent, family member	Emergency contact number

Please send the completed form to **Ellen Vanlint, Active Norfolk, Tennis Centre, Easton College, Norwich NR9 5DX** or fax on **01603 741438** for my attention to arrive by Friday 2nd March.