

# Kent schools' involvement in the London 2012 Games BIG EVENTS programme - PRIDE Values Award Programme

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 1. What is the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?

The PRIDE Values Award Programme is strand 4 of the Kent schools' BIG EVENTS programme. FAQs on the BIG EVENTS programme are available at [www.kent20in12.org.uk](http://www.kent20in12.org.uk)

The Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme has been designed to identify a Gold Medal –winning pupil from each key stage in your school. The Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme is also intended to identify a Gold Medal-winning member of staff in each school in Kent.

The Award Programme is fully funded and available free for schools to engage with.

### 2. Why has a PRIDE Values Award Programme been developed?

The Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme is intended to provide an opportunity for members of staff and Governors to recognise the commitment and enthusiasm of young people in demonstrating one or more of the Olympic and Paralympic values. This might be through work in their own school but perhaps also through their help and support in planning and taking part in other school or community events **over a sustained period of time**. The PRIDE Values Awards could be used to recognise young people's personal achievements. It is up to each school to determine its own criteria for whom to award Kent PRIDE Values Awards to.

The programme has also been developed to recognise the efforts of staff in all schools in Kent for their commitment and enthusiasm in providing opportunities for young people to engage in a range of London 2012 related programmes and activities.

### 3. What are the PRIDE Values?

PRIDE is the acronym developed and embraced by Kent schools and young people to remember the Olympic and Paralympic values.

- Personal Excellence
- Respect and Friendship
- Inspiration
- Determination and Courage
- Equality

### 4. How will the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme work?

All schools should have received a PowerPoint template and template nomination form for the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme by the end of May. The PowerPoint template is to support assembly or class launches of the Programme. If you would like a copy of these resources please contact your Lead School (see Q12) Schools are welcome to adapt these templates as suits your own school.

Each school will then be sent PRIDE Values Award nominee certificates and PRIDE Values Award medals by Kent County Council. These will be delivered in one delivery in early June. Each school will be asked to choose and announce its own PRIDE Values Award winners through an in-school approach by Friday 20 July.

It is hoped that each education district will then stage a District Gold Award Celebration Event in October. The organisation of this will be led by each education district's lead 2012 school. See Q12 below for details of your Lead 2012 School. Information on Gold Medal Winners is in Q7 below.

### 5. Tell me more about the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme certificates?

Each school will be asked to choose and announce its own PRIDE Values Award nominees, i.e. those that receive a certificate, through an in-school approach of your choice by Friday 20 July. Each school will be sent PRIDE Values Award certificates by Kent County Council. These will be delivered in early June.

If you are an **infant school** you will receive 20 Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme branded certificates. The certificates will be identical, with space to write in the nominee's name on each certificate and for the Headteacher and the Chair of Governors to sign on behalf of the school. You may choose to give out less than 20. It is up to each individual school.

If you are a **primary school**, you will receive 10 Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme branded certificates per year group (Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6). You will therefore receive 60 certificates. The certificates will be identical, with space to write in the nominee's name on each certificate and for the Headteacher and the Chair of Governors to sign on behalf of the school. You may choose to give out less than 60. It is up to each individual school.

If you are a **secondary school**, you will receive 10 Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme branded certificates per year group (Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 6th form). You will therefore receive 60 certificates. The certificates will be identical, with space to write in the nominee's name on each certificate and for the Headteacher and the Chair of Governors to sign on behalf of the school. You may choose to give out less than 60. It is up to each individual school.

If you are a **special school** or a **PRU** you will receive 20 Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme branded certificates. The certificates will be identical, with space to write in the nominee's name on each certificate and for the Headteacher and the Chair of Governors to sign on behalf of the school. You may choose to give out less than 20. It is up to each individual school.

#### **6. Tell me more about the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme medals?**

Every school is invited to select a Gold, a Silver and a Bronze medal winner from each Key Stage's nominees who have received certificates. See Q5 above. **(Please note medals are NOT awarded per year group, but rather per Key Stage).**

Each school will be asked to choose and announce its own PRIDE Values Award medallists, through an in-school approach of your choice by Friday 20 July. Each school will be sent PRIDE Values Award medals by Kent County Council. These will be delivered in early June.

If you are an **infant school**, you will receive one Gold, one Silver and one Bronze medal. You will also receive one Staff Gold Medal.

If you are a **primary school**, you will receive two Gold (one for KS1, one for KS2), two Silver (one for KS1, one for KS2), and two Bronze (one for KS1, one for KS2) medals. You will also receive one Staff Gold Medal.

If you are a **secondary school**, you will receive two Gold (one for KS3, one for KS4/6th form), two Silver (one for KS3, one for KS4/6th form), and two Bronze (one for KS3, one for KS4/6th form) medals. You will also receive one Staff Gold Medal.

If you are a **special school** or a **PRU** you will receive one Gold, one Silver and one Bronze medal. You will also receive one Staff Gold Medal.

#### **7. Tell me more about the District Gold Medal Winners' celebration event?**

Your Gold Medal Winners will be invited to represent your school at a District Gold Award Celebration Event to be held in the autumn term of 2012. The format of each District Gold Award Celebration Event will be determined by your local District 2012 School Planning Group. These planning groups are chaired by your local Lead 2012 school. If you wish to be involved in the planning of your District Gold Award Celebration Event, or to get more details, please contact your local Lead 2012 School in the first instance. Details of your Lead 2012 School are in Q12.

We would ask that you notify your Lead 2012 School of your Gold Medal Winners and the reasons for their selection (taken from the nomination form, see Q4) by Friday 20 July.

All Gold Medal Winners will receive an invitation to attend the District Gold Award Celebration Event which will take place in the Autumn term. At this event they will be joined by District Gold Medal winners from The Kent School Games.

It is hoped that each Celebration Event will be hosted by an Olympian or Paralympian and an Olympic Torchbearer.

Every Gold Medal winner will be able to have their photo taken holding one of the London 2012 Gold Olympic Torches which was used in the actual Olympic Torch Relay as it travelled through Kent. This photo opportunity should provide for each pupil and their school a truly magnificent memento of this very special moment in British history. All Gold Medal winners will have their personal stories celebrated on the [kent20in12.org](http://kent20in12.org) website.

#### **8. How should the certificates and medals be awarded - what is the criteria?**

Individual schools will need to determine their own criteria for the selection of nominees which lead to the Medal winners in their school as this may differ significantly depending on the age range and particular needs of pupils within different establishments.

A template nomination form for staff to make their nominations has been shared with each school. If you cannot locate this, please contact your 'Lead School'. Schools are welcome to adapt this template as suits your own school.

It is hoped that a judging panel consisting of pupils, staff and governors will be set up within each school to receive nominations to determine the Bronze, Silver and Gold Medal winners. It is envisaged that awards will be made at a special London 2012 Games school assembly at the end of the term.

#### **9. What are the timescales around the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?**

All schools should have received a letter inviting them to participate in the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme by the end of May. If you would like a copy of this letter please contact your Lead 2012 School (see Q12). All schools should have received a PowerPoint [template](#) and [template](#) nomination form for the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme by the end of May. If you would like a copy of these resources please contact your 'Lead Schools' (see Q12) Schools are welcome to adapt these templates as suits your own school.

We would look for every school to launch the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme within their own school during June leaving time for the School Judging Panel to short-list nominations and announce medal winners during the last week of the school term.

Resource packs of certificates and medals will be delivered directly to each school by Kent County Council in early June.

We would anticipate schools announcing their Gold Medal Winners in the last week of term or week commencing Monday 16 July.

We would ask that you notify your Lead 2012 School of your Gold Medal Winners and the reasons for their selection (taken from the nomination form) by Friday 20 July.

District Gold Medal Winners' celebration events are to be held in each district throughout October.

#### **10. Can staff be recognised through the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?**

Yes, this is very important. The PRIDE Values Award Programme would like to recognise the efforts of staff in all schools in Kent for their commitment and enthusiasm in providing opportunities for young people to engage in a range of London 2012 related programmes and activities.

Once again it is for each school to determine their own criteria for the selection of nominees and whether they wish both staff and pupils to be part of the nomination process for this particular Award.

A Staff Gold Medal will therefore be provided to each school along with the young people's certificates and medals to be presented to that 'special member of staff', who will also receive an invitation to the District Gold Award Celebration Event. See Q7. The Staff Gold Medal will have a separate but complementary 'look' to that awarded to the young people.

**11. I would like to nominate more young people than I will be provided certificates and/or medals for?**

There will be many young people in our schools who deserve to be nominated for such an honour by their teachers, but as in the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games there are only three medal places on the winners' podium. If there is a particular need for additional certificates then please contact Danny O'Donovan (danny.odonovan@kent.gov.uk).

**12. How can I find out which school is my local Lead 2012 School?**

<b>2012 Lead Schools in each Education District</b>		
		<b>Headteacher</b>
<b>Ashford</b>	The North School	Lesley Ellis
<b>Canterbury</b>	Herne Bay High	Claire Owen
<b>Dartford</b>	Rowhill Special School	Steve McGuinness
<b>Dover</b>	Castle Community	Philip Bunn
<b>Gravesham</b>	Meopham School	Matthew Munro
<b>Maidstone</b>	Valley Park	Vic Ashdown
<b>Sevenoaks</b>	Valence School	Roland Gooding
<b>Shepway</b>	Pent Valley	Mario Citro
<b>Swale</b>	The Abbey School	Catrin Woodend
<b>Thanet</b>	Ursuline College	Tanya Utton
<b>Tonbridge &amp; Malling</b>	The Hayesbrook School	Dave Rowe
<b>Tunbridge Wells</b>	Mascalls School	Stuart Reeves

**13. How is the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme funded?**

The Kent Association of Head teachers made a recommendation to the Kent Schools' Funding Forum in December 2011 to identify unallocated one-off Dedicated Schools Grant funding to support the delivery of the BIG EVENTS programme.

The Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme is part of the BIG EVENTS programme and therefore is funded from within that allocation. The Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme is administered centrally by Kent County Council.

**14. How can my school be part of the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?**

Your school will automatically receive the invitation letter, template nomination form and template PowerPoint resources. The PowerPoint template is to support assembly or class launches of the Programme. If you would like a further copy of these resources please contact your Lead School (see Q12 above)... Schools are welcome to adapt these templates as suits your own school.

Your school will then automatically receive a 'resource pack' of certificates and medals (see Q5 and Q6 above) in early June.

**15. My school already has its own award programme. How does this 'fit' with the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?**

The 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games are a unique moment in the history of our nation. The Games offer us an exciting opportunity to engage and involve every child and young person, every school and every community in innovative and exhilarating learning, cultural, personal and sporting achievements.

London won the 2012 Games on the premise that they will be Games to inspire young people not only in east London, but across the UK and across the world.

We therefore feel that 2012 is a unique opportunity to complement existing school award programmes.

**16. Are there any forms for us to fill out if we wish to be part of the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?**

We would ask that schools fill out and retain nomination forms for their young people and member of staff that are awarded certificates and/or medals through the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme.

At the very least, we would ask that that you forward a copy to your Lead 2012 School of your Gold Medal Winners and the reasons for their selection (taken from the nomination form) by Friday 20 July.

**17. What do I do if my school wishes to opt out of the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?**

We hope all schools will choose to engage with this fully funded celebratory programme, but if you do not wish to use the certificates and medals please advise Danny O'Donovan ([danny.odonovan@kent.gov.uk](mailto:danny.odonovan@kent.gov.uk)) and arrangements will be made to collect them from your school..

**18. How is the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme linked to GET SET?**

We would encourage all Kent schools involved in the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme to blog about your activity on the London 2012 GET SET Network, in order that it be captured and celebrated nationally.

**19. How is the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme linked to the Kent School Games/National School Games?**

The Kent School Games is a separate but complementary schools programme to the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme.

**20. Who can I contact for more information on the Kent PRIDE Values Award Programme?**

In the first instance please contact your local Lead School (see Q12 above)

For any other overarching 2012 school enquiries please contact [danny.o'donovan@kent.gov.uk](mailto:danny.o'donovan@kent.gov.uk) or [Stephanie.holt@kent.gov.uk](mailto:Stephanie.holt@kent.gov.uk)