



## DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL

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19<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Dear Parents,

### **Extra Curricular Activities (ECAs)**

I am writing to inform you that the Spring 2016 Extra Curricular Activities (ECAs) will run from **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> January to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016**. (Note that due to the school's Sports Week, there will be no Sporting ECAs from Sun 7<sup>th</sup> to Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> February.)

The ECA programme this Academic year provides the most extensive and diverse range of activities the school has ever been able to offer. The activities are divided into two groups: **Sporting** and **Non-Sporting**.

### **Primary School ECAs**

The **Sporting ECAs** for the Primary school will take place on the following days:

<b>Tuesday</b>	Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6	Session 1: 1.45pm – 2.30pm	Session 2: 2.30pm – 3.15pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Years 1 & 2	Session 1: 1.30pm – 2.15pm	

Please note that on **Tuesday** you can choose to register your child for just Session 1 (pick up 2.30pm) or for Session 1 **and** 2 (pick up 3.15pm). **Note that your child cannot sign up for Session 2 only, as we have no facility for childcare between sessions.**

All **Non-Sporting ECAs** will run for 1 session only (1.45pm to 2.30pm).

### **Squad Sessions**

The sporting activities which were split last term into 'squad' and 'recreational' sessions will now take place at the same time. This will allow children to move between the recreational and developmental groups as coaches monitor progress, and will give a wider pool of talent from which to form squads for upcoming fixtures. This is with the exception of the Swim Squad, which will remain the same as last term.

*If your child wishes to participate in more than one sporting activity that is scheduled in the same session, please contact me so that we can arrange alternate-week attendance:*  
[john.godbold@dohabritishschool.com](mailto:john.godbold@dohabritishschool.com).

### **How to book**

For the full list of activities being offered, please refer to the attached table. In order to book an activity, please complete the form on the following link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1nJvtlLiJGcrt3fEMlxErEdwdos5I7HK0Lpih7N8Xzk/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1nJvtlLiJGcrt3fEMlxErEdwdos5I7HK0Lpih7N8Xzk/viewform?usp=send_form)

Registration for all activities will close on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015**. Please note that spaces on some ECAs are limited, but every effort will be made to accommodate each student's requirements.

### **Collection after ECAs: Primary School**

The procedure for the collection of pupils after ECAs has been reviewed, so that it is more streamlined, safe and efficient. From Term 2, children will be taken in their ECA groups and lined up in the shaded area of the playground after the activity, and teachers will record that the children have been collected. Parents/carers should access the school via the **rear gate**, which will be opened at 2.20pm to allow easy access to the playground (please ensure that you are displaying your security pass or you will be denied entry). Parents must wait within the fenced area of the cafeteria until activities finish. The external area is often used for activities so parents should try not to interfere with ongoing activities.

### **Secondary ECAs**

Students in Years 7 to 13 do not need to register online. Students need only attend the activity at the starting time outlined, with correct kit, and to register with the member of staff running that activity.

The **Sporting ECAs** will take place on the following days:

<b>Sunday</b>	Years 7, 8 & 9	Session 1: 1.45pm – 2.30pm	Session 2: 2.30pm – 3.15pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Years 10 to 13	Session 1: 1.45pm - 2.30pm	Session 2: 2.30pm – 3.15pm

Students can select to attend Session 1 only, but will be expected to leave the school premises at 2.30pm, or they may attend both Sessions 1 and 2, and leave school at 3.15pm. **Students cannot attend Session 2 only.**

All **Non-Sporting ECAs** will run for 1 session only (1.45pm to 2.30pm). For the full list of activities being offered, please refer to the attached table.

*Please note that it is not acceptable, under any circumstances, for siblings to wait in school while brothers or sisters attend activities. If you have a child that is not attending an ECA you will be expected to pick them up at the end of the school day and return for your other child/children at the end of the ECA session.*

I hope the arrangements for the ECAs are clear; I look forward to fantastic levels of participation in all activities.

Yours sincerely,

**John Godbold , Head of Sport & ECAs**



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