Summer seems a distant memory and Winter is fast approaching, here's some of what the Active Communities & Health Team are up to at this time!

South Derbyshire Awards

Across South Derbyshire, people are quietly committing their time to make a difference to the lives of the people who live in the district.

The South Derbyshire Awards recognise, celebrate and thank the people who make such a difference in South Derbyshire and aim to raise aspirations and strengthen the relationships between communities, local charities and community groups and businesses.

Nominations for these awards are now open and will close on the 22nd November 2019 with the awards to be held at Toyota Motor Manufacturing’s Burnaston Hall on Friday 7th February 2020.

For further information and to make a nomination please visit www.southderbyshireawards.com
Gambling Support

The issue of gambling related harm has now been declared a national public health issue. Whilst for many it’s an innocent and harmless pass-time it has become for some (particularly young males aged 15-34 years) a damaging and at times life threatening addiction.

A project has been undertaken in conjunction with South Derbyshire Citizens Advice to assess whether this is an issue locally with follow up action to be tailored accordingly.

If you have any views or observations on this which you would like to share or discuss further please contact Shaun Woodcock, Health Partnership Manager on 01283 595776 or email shaun.woodcock@southderbyshire.gov.uk.

Summer 2019

Despite some very extreme weather, from the hottest days to very wet days, this year’s summer scheme was again a huge success. Over the first five weeks of the summer holidays, our Summer Team of 20 very enthusiastic coaches delivered a total of 105 sessions across the district with a total of 4,656 participations.

This year’s scheme included the ever popular Play Mobile with giant games, arts and crafts and the bouncy castle, the Sports Mobile with the mountain bike challenge course, inflatable arena and everything from football to tug of war, and the Adventure Mobile consisting of the laser combat area and inflatable mountain climb.

A huge thank you to the Safer South Derbyshire Partnership for funding all sessions in the urban core, Parish Councils for continuing to buy in our services for their residents and all of the families and young people who came out to the sessions.

Work is ongoing to develop and refresh the offer for Summer 2020 and booking information will be sent to all Parish Councils by December 2019. If you would like any further information on the summer scheme or the booking process please call Laura Winter on 01283 595873 or email laura.winter@southderbyshire.gov.uk.

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Walk Leader Training

On Tuesday 22nd October, Lee English from South Derbyshire District Council and Jo Smith for Everyone Active in East Staffordshire successfully delivered walk leader training to 11 new walk leaders. These walk leaders will now go out and support existing walking groups across the area ensuring that walks are lead safely and for the enjoyment of all.

Walk Leader Thank You Lunch

In December we’ll be holding our annual thank you lunch for our walk leaders and volunteers at Sharpe’s Pottery Museum in Swadlincote. This meeting is to give back to volunteers for all their time and hard work over the year. Without their commitment, the project could not run as successfully as it does.
Pumpkin Shoot

It’s that time of the year again! When the Ghosts and Ghouls came out to play at Rosliston Forestry Centre. Following the success of 2018’s Pumpkin shoot we were back again to take the pumpkins to the range. Participants had the chance to choose a pumpkin from our stock, draw a scary face on it and then head down to our archery range to shoot 6 arrows. As well as this we were giving away free recipe cards so that no pumpkin is wasted. In total we engaged 34 people this year, with many people taking recipe cards so that they can turn their pumpkins into a lovely warming autumn meal.

Learn to Ride

Starting this month we’ve started advertising for our Bikeability – Learn to Ride sessions. Taking children through all the stages of learning to ride a bike from giving them the confidence to balance, steer, pedal and brake. We spend four hours with the group in order to give each child the skills needed to set off on their own.

Please contact Get.Active@southderbyshire.gov.uk for further information or to book a place.
ACTIVE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP
A PE & SCHOOL SPORT UPDATE

The start of a new academic year not only brings new challenges, but new opportunities. The Active Schools Partnership reflected on an impressive 2018-19 academic year with notable figures on the number of children participating in the school games, record participants receiving Bikeability training and another year of our PE and School Sport (PESS) service expanding across South Derbyshire. In addition, we welcomed our first recipients of the prestigious Platinum School Games Mark award! As always, the best place to keep up to date is to follow @SouthDerbysASP on Twitter!

5 schools receive platinum!

The School Games Mark is an awards initiative run by the Youth Sport Trust, aimed at recognising a school’s commitment to their PE, School Sport & Physical Activity offer. The grading is done on an Olympic medal system, with bronze recognising minimal contributions to their school and gold recognising considered and well planned interventions. Platinum recognises schools who continually achieve gold (4 consecutive years) and rewards schools who show innovation or go that extra mile to ensuring their school offers an inclusive and well-rounded offer. Congratulations to:

- St. Edwards Catholic Academy
- Walton on Trent Primary & Nursery School
- Linton Primary School
- Fairmeadows Foundation Primary School
- Pennine Way Junior Academy

“Making a difference to young people through Physical Education, School Sport & Physical Activity”
Football frenzy all in a week!

35 teams. 3 competitions. 3 new champions.

Our eagerly anticipated mini soccer competitions took place over 2 days during October, which saw in excess of 350 young people take part and represent their school in one of 3 different Year 5/6 competitions. A record turn out for the small schools competition saw 8 teams battle it out for the title at The Pingle Academy. Exactly as it says on the tin, our small school competitions are for schools with a smaller pupil roll, providing a more even playing field when it comes to district competition. The following day saw both the Girls and Mixed competitions take place at John Port Spencer Academy.

A special mention must go to the 7 outstanding Sports Ambassadors from John Port, who gave up their time to officiate the fixtures in both the Girls and Mixed tournaments. The students showed excellent decision making, made with both consistency and confidence in such competitive environments. Well done and thank you to all involved!

Small School Competition – Church Broughton Primary School
Girls Competition – Heath Fields Primary School
Mixed Competition – Hilton Primary School
Jacob joins the team

Jacob Hunt joined the ASP team in a full time capacity at the start of the academic year, fulfilling the role of heading up the ever-expanding PE and School Sport programme the ASP delivers in several schools. Jacob brings a wealth of experience, having completed his PGCE in 2016 and spent a large proportion of his time teaching in St. Edwards Catholic Academy for the ASP. As well as being the key PE deliverer for the ASP, Jacob will also oversee the day-to-day running of the programme for the partnerships’ partner schools, as well as ensuring staff are regularly observed and provided with relevant CPD opportunities. Welcome, Jacob!

Pingle Academy shine at DSSPA Awards

The annual Derbyshire School Sport & Physical Activity (DSSPA) awards took place in Chesterfield on October 15th, celebrating the successes of schools, their pupils and school staff. The Pingle Academy were worthy winners of the Community Contribution award, which highlighted the importance of community engagement and partnership working, with the re-development of their artificial grass pitch. Andrew Reeves of Fairmeadows Foundation Primary School and Nikki Shenton of Heath Fields Primary School were also deserved winners of the Teacher/Staff Member of the Year award.

Dan Brown (Head of PE) and Deborah Holland (Vice Principal) of The Pingle Academy receive the Community Contribution award. Nikki Shenton & Andrew Reeves pick up Teacher/Staff member of the Year awards.