

After School Activities Parent Handbook



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FAIRGREEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

Dear Parents,

At Fairgreen International School in Dubai, we aim to provide an exceptional international education that embraces sustainability in all its forms.

Our vision is to be an exemplary learning community that promotes purposeful and innovative solutions for a sustainable world.

Fairgreen International School's activity programme will provide stimulating experiences within a caring environment to develop students' knowledge, understanding, attitudes, and skills in various activities.

Our after-school activity and school team programmes will enhance our students' interests and provide them with a valuable and enjoyable educational experience. Run by specialist teachers, qualified instructors or selected activity providers, we offer various activities to motivate and inspire our students. At Fairgreen, we have Internal and External ASAs and a wide range of school teams.

AIMS

The aims and objectives of the ASA and school team programmes relate directly to those of Fairgreen. Namely, we endeavour to provide a broad and balanced programme that offers opportunities that interest our students.

To do this, we aim to:

- Stimulate and maintain pupil interest and enjoyment in activities, promoting health, fitness, and well-being for current and future lifestyles.
- Encourage students to develop and extend their interests and skills.
- Enable students to have fun and enjoy a broad range of activities.
- To provide activities which teach the values of cooperation and the spirit of competition.

OUR TEAM

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AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (ASAs)

Teachers deliver free internal after-school activities (sometimes, equipment, uniforms, or certificates from an accredited programme may be charged). These activities are scheduled on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

INTERNAL REGISTRATION

- All sign-ups are conducted through *SchoolsBuddy*. Parents can access the SchoolsBuddy system through the website www.schoolsbuddy.net or via the app.
- Details regarding each ASA will be sent out to parents before the sign-up process begins.
- The students will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.
- Parents can make one selection for each student per day. The selection box will show the number of places left, and if the group is full, then parents will only be able to select a Waiting List option
- The *SchoolsBuddy* system will automatically notify parents when a child has been allocated ASA.
- When it comes to allocation, the students who sign up before the group is full will have their preferences marked as P1, and the students who sign up for the waiting list will be marked as P2. Only the P1 students will be allocated to the activities. At the allocation stage, staff can make manual changes if they decide there are more spaces available in the group.
- The final allocation is not confirmed to parents until after the staff have sent the final confirmation email.

*Please note, that depending on availability, students may be capped to two internal ASAs; this does not apply to school teams.

Contact email for Internal ASA's: asa@fairgreen.ae

EXTERNAL REGISTRATION (Stryx-led activities)

- All sign-ups are conducted through *SchoolsBuddy*. Parents can access the SchoolsBuddy system through the website www.schoolsbuddy.net or via the app.
- Details regarding each ASA will be sent out to parents before the sign-up process begins.
- The *SchoolsBuddy* system will automatically notify parents when a child has been allocated ASA.
- There are no restrictions to the number of external activities a child can participate in.

- When allocations have been finalised, parents and students can use the option to “ask to join” an ASA.
- Stryx will share payment links.

Contact email for External ASA's: asa@stryxsports.com

IMPORTANT DATES

There will be three after-school activities programmes each academic year, one each term. Each programme will last 7-8 weeks, depending on the school calendar.

TERM 1

Sign-up will start before the beginning of the school year and will be open during the first week of Term 1;

The allocation process will take place during the second and third weeks of Term 1;

Activities will start at the beginning of the fourth week and will end 7-8 weeks later.

TERM 2

Sign-up will start during the last week of Term 1 and will be open during the first week of Term 2. This period also includes the winter break.

The allocation process will take place during the second week of Term 2.

Activities will start at the beginning of the third week of Term 2 and will end 7-8 weeks later.

TERM 3

Sign-up will start during the last week of Term 2 and will be open during the first week of Term 3. This period also includes the spring break.

The allocation process will take place during the second week of Term 3.

Activities will start at the beginning of the third week of Term 3 and will end 7-8 weeks later.

TIMINGS

KG-1 activities will take place from 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Primary and Senior ASAs (KG-2 and above) will take place from 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

SCHOOL TEAMS

School team vision is to cultivate an inclusive school sports programme where students are inspired to participate in a competitive environment. Our priority is to foster a culture of enthusiasm, health, and lifelong love for physical activity, promoting personal growth, teamwork, and community spirit through accessible and engaging sports programmes.

School team intent

Our intent is to ensure that as many students as possible have the opportunity to engage in school sports by offering a diverse range of activities that cater to various interests and abilities. We aim to create a supportive and encouraging atmosphere where participation is celebrated, effort and progress are recognised, and every student feels valued. By emphasising enjoyment, personal improvement, and social connection, we strive to develop well-rounded individuals who carry the positive lessons of sportsmanship, perseverance, and collaboration into all areas of their lives.

- Fairgreen is registered in the Dubai Affiliated Schools Sport Association (DASSA).
- School teams are offered from Grade 2 and above.
- Trials will be held before the start of the ASA programme. Athletes are selected based on their skills, behaviour, attitude and commitment. Parents will be notified via Schools Buddy if their child has been chosen to represent a Fairgreen team.
- The athletes are expected to attend all training sessions. If for any reason, they can not make a session, the coach should receive an email from the parents before the session starts.
- The school will supply a team uniform, which should be returned at the end of the season.
- Fairgreen will provide transport to and from competitions.
- Parents of the selected students are expected to complete a consent form before the season starts. The Google consent form will be sent via Schools Buddy. Details regarding the fixtures, kit requirements and expectations will be added to the consent form.
- Any additional information, such as fixture cancellation, will be sent

via SchoolsBuddy. This will appear in your SchoolsBuddy App, and notifications will be pushed to your email.

Season 1 / Term 1 teams (subject to change)	Season 2 / Term 2 teams (subject to change)	Season 3 / Term 3 (subject to change)
Primary & Secondary Swimming	Primary & Secondary Swimming	Primary & Secondary Swimming
Primary & Secondary cross country	Primary & secondary cross country	Primary & Secondary (U14 / U13 or U12) boys basketball
Primary & Secondary boys football	Primary & Secondary Athletics	Primary & secondary girls (U14 / U13 or U12) basketball
Primary girls netball	Primary aquathon	Secondary girls rounders
Secondary girls football	Primary girls football	
Primary aquathon	Primary boys tag rugby	
Secondary boys basketball (U16 or U19 only)	Senior boys & girls volleyball	
	Senior girls netball	

RULES, REGULATION AND CODES OF CONDUCT

BEHAVIOUR

All students are expected to demonstrate positive behaviour during after-school activities and school teams. Students who do not meet these expectations will be removed from the activity.

Rules, regulations, and codes of conduct for all DASSA competitions can be found at www.dassasport.org.

ATTENDANCE

Every student is expected to attend every session.

Attendance is monitored. If a student misses multiple sessions, the student will be removed from the activity. Warnings will be given before this happens. On rare occasions, a student has to be excused from a session, and the activity leader needs to be informed in advance.

Students are encouraged to stick with the activity for its full duration. However, if they request to change activity, the following criteria will be applied before the change takes place:

- A change request has been communicated to school less than one week after the start of the ASA programme.
- Student behaviour has been good in the original ASA.
- There is space available in the requested ASA.
- The Internal or External ASA team will handle changes in ASA's and will communicate to the parents accordingly.

All students should be collected by 2:35 p.m. (KG-1) and 4:35 p.m. (KG-2 and above) on the day of an ASA.

PAYMENT

If your child has been registered with an external provider, it is the parents' responsibility to pay Stryx. Stryx will provide parents with a payment link once all ASAs have started. Also, if a student signs up for a paid activity, no refund will be *available as soon as the groups are allocated*.

CANCELLATION

If an ASA is cancelled, a message will be sent via Schools Buddy before noon.

EQUIPMENT AND ATTIRE

Students are expected to attend every lesson with the appropriate attire and equipment. On the activity day, students can wear their PE kit for sports activities. However, senior students must wear full school uniforms and change into their PE/team kit before the activity.

Any special requirements for school team equipment and attire will be shared with parents before the season starts.

THE FAIRGREEN WAY

The Fairgreen Way

At Fairgreen, the relationships we develop with our colleagues, families and students are based on trust, communication, boundaries and respect. These precepts make our school special. Collectively, this way of operating has come to be known as 'The Fairgreen Way.'



- 1** We work in concert together and have equal respect for each staff member and their valued contributions.
- 2** We practice self care, so we can care for others and our planet sustainably
- 3** We listen and learn from each other
- 4** We assume positive intent, and that way we stay always centred on our Fairgreen Pillars to help our students flourish
- 5** We communicate respectfully, openly and honestly
- 6** We seek to collaborate not to control others
- 7** We aim to see the best in each other and encourage others to be at their best
- 8** We are conscious of our words and actions
- 9** We use our 'power' for the common good of our Fairgreen community
- 10** We respect and appreciate our professional working environment