



# Goalball UK Schools Programme

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● Paralympic sport since 1976 ● Inclusive ● Unique sport



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## Why Goalball?

- Exciting unique sport.
- Broadens the experience of sport for pupils.
- Pupils who are blind or partially sighted (VI) can play sport with their sighted peers.
- Increases awareness of pupils who are VI.
- Improves communication and teamwork.
- Most importantly, it gets pupils active!



## What is Goalball?

- Goalball is an exciting sport designed specifically for players who are VI.
- Goalball is inclusive as all players wear eyeshades, meaning anybody can play regardless of level of sight.
- Goalball uses a unique ball which has audible bells embedded inside, this allows players to track and defend the ball using their hearing.
- The court is marked using tactile markings, usually string and tape. At a school level gymnastic mats can be used instead.







## ***What can Goalball UK offer your school?***

**We can offer your school a bespoke package suited to your needs, with your choice of the following:**

- Goalball UK School Leaders course for your staff and/or pupils.
- Goalball UK school equipment package including teaching resources.
- Team-teach sessions working with experienced Goalball UK coaches.
- Extra-curricular activities supported by an experienced Goalball UK coach.



## ***Every school can add the following to any package, for FREE!***

- Great Britain goalball athlete visit.
- Entry into the school's local goalball competition.

***We also offer the option of a taster session for your school to try out the sport.***





## BENEFITS OF GOALBALL IN SCHOOLS

Goalball is an excellent sport to increase the physical activity levels of pupils with a visual impairment.



### What teachers and students say:

" The mix of ages and abilities and their levels of vision being equalised made it a special and unique occasion. "

Teacher from Bristol

" It was a fantastic experience to be able to play sport with my friend at the same level. It was brilliant! "

VI pupil in Bristol

" Meeting VI pupils from other schools and socialising was marvelous. "

Pupil who attended a school festival in Bradford

" The festival was great and now the students know what they are doing, they can work to hone their skills further.

It was inspirational for the students to learn from a Great Britain goalball player. "

Teacher after a school festival in Bradford

" Amazing, it felt great to be fully included and to represent my school in a competition. "

Young VI pupil after competing in Sheffield



### Goalball UK Schools Programme in 2018/19

Goalball UK have worked with over 1000 children and young people from schools across the UK in 2018/19.

Over 100 VI pupils have benefited from increased physical activity levels and the opportunity to play alongside their sighted peers.

**Goalball is an inclusive sport, meaning anybody can play! If you are interested in getting an exciting sport into your school, then get in touch:**



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