December 2016

Dear PE Contact,

**Leeds North West Y5/6 Tag Rugby Festivals**

I am pleased to invite your school to enter the **Leeds North West** Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Competition 2017.

Each school is invited to enter one team into the competition. If schools wish to enter further teams please indicate your preferred number and I will confirm if this is possible after the entry deadline. Games will be played according to the dual code rules, a copy of which is enclosed.

The qualifying two teams from each of the two festivals will be invited to the Leeds City Finals day on **Thursday 18th May at John Charles Centre for Sport.**

Successful schools will then progress to the West Yorkshire School Games: Friday 7th July at Leeds Beckett University.

Unfortunately, the RFU are unable to provide the usual delivery support for these festivals, and so the coaching element of the programme will not be delivered. Leeds Rhinos Foundation have kindly agreed to deliver our competitions greatly assisted by young leaders from local secondary schools. Please ensure all staff and spectators from your schools follow the code of conduct. It is important all in attendance respect the referee’s decisions.

If you would like to participate in the programme please complete and return the enclosed entry form as soon as possible. You will notice that there is a choice of venues which you may attend and places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

Yours Sincerely,

Natalie Mallinson

Leeds North West School Sport Partnership

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**Generic Tag**

# Pathway

SSP Competition Leeds Final West Yorkshire School Games

(At the WY competition schools will play generic tag rules.)

Qualifiers: The top four teams per SSP qualify through to the Leeds final.  
  
**Age Category**

Year 5 and 6

**Team & squad numbers:**

Max squad of 12, at least 3 of whom must be girls

7 players per team on the pitch at one time, at least 2 of the players on the field must be girls

**Please Note: Generic tag rugby is based on the evasive and handling skills of rugby league and union.**

Any number of substitutions can be made.

**Rules and Regulations:**

1. The toss of a coin will determine who has possession and thereafter the game shall commence with a free pass
2. The object of the game is to score tries. A try is scored by crossing the opposing team’s goal line and placing the ball down firmly on the ground with control.
3. No diving or sliding in the act of scoring a try is allowed.
4. The ball must be passed in a backward direction.
5. No kicking the ball is allowed.
6. Fending off, obstructing your own tags or support players preventing the ball carrier being tagged is not allowed.
7. Possession will be turned over in the event of the attacking team:
8. Knocking the ball forward (Knocking on)
9. Making a forward pass
10. Running into touch
11. Throwing the ball into touch

The restart will always be at least 2m in from the touchline.

**Tackling (tagging)**

1. A tackle is made by removing ONE or TWO Tags, located around each player’s waist, (on each hip). Only the player carrying the ball is to be tackled (Tagged).
2. The tackling player must shout tagged and raise their hand with the tag (or tags). They must then place the tag on the floor where the tackle (tag) was made and then return to the defensive line, marked back 3m from where the player was tackled (tagged) by the referee. Any defensive player in front of the referee and interfering with play before the game resumes is offside.
3. If the tackling player throws the tag away, a penalty will be awarded.
4. Once tackled (tagged), the player with the ball must return to the place where they were tagged, put their foot on the tag and then pass the ball to another team member.After SIX TACKLES (tags) the ball is handed to the opposition team and the game restarted.

**Further information**

The Leeds Rhinos Foundation can create a Sport & PE package that is tailored to the needs of the school and will truly benefit the pupils. For more information see the link below or contact Gareth Cook.

<http://www.leedsrhinosfoundation.org/sport/school-sport-offer.php>

Email: Gareth.Cook@leedsrhinosfoundation.org

**Leeds North West: REPLY SLIP**

**I confirm that our school will be attending (Please Tick Preference):**

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| Event | Date | Time | Venue | Please Tick |
| Yr 5/6 Tag Rugby | Tuesday 14th March 2017 | 12.30noon – 3pm **Competition Only** | Yarnbury RC |  |
| Yr 5/6 Tag Rugby | Tuesday 21st March 2017 | 12.30noon – 3pmCompetition Only | Guiseley Rangers RC |  |

Spaces will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

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| **Criteria** | **Guidance** | **Reply** | | | |
| **School** | *Please enter Schools Name* |  | | | |
| **Teacher Attending** | *Please enter name of main teacher contact* |  | | | |
| **Contact Mobile** | *For use on the day or if event has to be cancelled due to bad weather* |  | | | |
| **Contact Email(s)** | *For confirmation of receipt of this entry & joining instructions* |  | | | |
| **Team Colours** | *Red with blue hoops* |  | | | |
| **No. of Players** | *Please indicate both the number of Boys & Girls* | **Boys** |  | **Girls** |  |

In the normal course of these activities photography or filming may take place for monitoring and publicity purposes. Please inform the organiser if you do not wish your child to be photographed/filmed. We cannot be responsible for photography/filming by third parties.

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| **Signed** |  |
| **Please Print Name** |  |
| **Date** |  |

**Please return by Friday 10th February 2017.**

**To Natalie Mallinson**

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**HEALTH & SAFETY / SAFEGUARDING**

**FILMING & PHOTOGRAPHY**

* Please ensure that the member of staff in charge is aware of which pupils can/cannot be photographed
* Pupils who cannot be photographed must be identified by a yellow wristband which will be provided
* The school will be asked to identify a designated member of staff for photography who must wear a blue wristband which will be provided
* Only images taken by that person can be used by the school
* All persons accompanying the school must be informed of the following:

They may take photographs, however;

* they must not display or distribute images taken unless they have consent to do so from the school or Active Schools;
* they must not use images which may cause distress;
* they must not use a mobile telephone to take images;
* they must not take images “in secret” or take images in situations that may be construed as being secretive;
* they must not take images of single children/young people with no surrounding context;
* they should ensure that in all images taken children/young people are dressed appropriately
* and that any inadvertent photograph taken of a child wearing a yellow wristband must be destroyed.

**FIRST AID**

In the first instance staff are responsible for providing first aid to the children they have brought to the event. There will be support for larger instances. Please ensure you bring sufficient first aid supplies.

**RISK ASSESSMENTS / EVOLVE NOTIFICATION**

It is the responsibility of individual schools to have appropriate risk assessments in place for all activities they attend. SGO’s and Active Schools will not send risk assessments direct to Schools.  They should download sample risk assessments from Evolve for all Active Schools and SSP events and personalise them.

For large, centrally organised Active School events, risk assessments will be in the Active Schools tab of the resources section on Evolve.  For School Games and SSP events risk assessments are in the PE tab. The ‘Events’ risk assessment can be adapted to cover the vast majority of sites used, and for all multi skills activities. Your school may also add activity specific risk assessments if they feel it necessary. (Sample activity risk assessments can also be downloaded from Evolve.) As always a Transport risk assessment will be required.