* Active Schools







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We wish to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians on whose lands we meet today and pay our respects to their Elders- past and present.

The Active Schools Initiative

Action	Target group	Details
Get Your Move On	Schools, parents and community	 Behaviour campaign to promote physical activity as a crucial part of a child's day, focussing on the importance of physical activity at school, after school hours and at home.
Active Schools Toolkit	All schools	 Online platform that provides universal support for schools to implement an Active Schools providing information, strategies and resources to assist schools.
Expert support	Government schools *varying levels of support according to funding they have received	Physical Activity Advisors- work with schools to build their capacity to implement an Active Schools approach.
Funding \$	Based on SFOE	 Active Schools Grants –100 grants of \$30,000 are available to schools to implement a whole-school approach to physical activity PE and Sports Funding Boost - 300 disadvantaged Victorian government schools will receive this boost of \$3,000 to support them with the costs of physical education, sport and outdoor education. Extracurricular Boost – in 2023 \$14,000 provided to approximately 200 disadvantaged secondary schools to encourage more teens to be active before and after school.
- 🍎 - Innovation Pilots	Select groups/schools	behavioural intervention trials aimed at getting secondary students more active.

What is Active Schools



- The department has invested \$45.4 million in Active Schools since 2019.
- A whole-school approach to physical activity based on the Active Schools Framework, no single solution, a multifaceted approach.
- Aims to shift focus from solely organised sport and PE to a broader holistic view of what it means to be active
- The Active Schools Expert Support
 Service provides one to one support,
 resources and mentoring tailored and
 unique to the school circumstances.







Active Travel case studies from the Online community



- Aldercourt Primary School
- Bundarra Primary School
- Cobram and District Specialist School
- Girgarre Primary School
- Merriang Special Developmental School
- Seaspray Primary School
- Wooragee Primary School









Common themes from case studies

- Liaison with school community (especially students) is critical
- Schools need assistance with community links (cycling clubs/bike shops etc)
- The perception of "safety" is the biggest barrier/enabler to active travel
- Active Travel facilitates independent travel for so many marginalised students
- Basic and accessible infrastructure can make a big difference
- Schools can greatly assist with safe use of community AT infrastructure (such as Pump tracks)







Schools and teachers have multiple priorities, so ask how you can support



- Every organisation wants to be in schools schools need to follow curriculum and other DE initiatives (dovetail into these)
- Relationships are the key develop them with key school contacts
- Ensure that all support is "joined up"







Questions?









Thank you



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