

Children's University has come to your child's school.

What is Children's University?

Children's University encourages students to take part in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities outside of the classroom. The number of hours a child spends on different activities is logged online and at the end of the school year, each school has a graduation where students receive certificates based on how many hours they have spent doing extra-curricular things.

Why are we participating?

Research shows that participation in extra-curricular activities can positively impact on attainment, increase a pupil's positive identification with school, and build self-confidence and resilience. Research also shows that children that do not have access to these opportunities fall behind, lack confidence, and fail to develop career aspirations. The resulting attainment gap is so significant that 25% of children from the most disadvantaged backgrounds achieve below expected attainment levels.

How can you help your child?

- Encouraging your child to take part in activities outside of the classroom, whether this is a lunchtime or afterschool club, or a club external to school
- Encouraging your child to think about the skills and learning they are doing when playing with friends and family
- Reminding your child to log on to their Children's University online account to log their activity hours
- Help your child to complete their half-term and holiday challenges
- Help your child to keep evidence of their learning at home through taking photos and updating their school