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SCHOOLS COMPETITION



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# COMPETITION RULES

The **Malta Paralympic Committee**, the national governing body entrusted with the development and promotion of Paralympic Sport in Malta, invites students and schools to participate in this year's special edition of the **Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Schools Competition**. Join us as we countdown to the greatest sporting event on the planet with just over 5 months to go!

## ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

By entering the Schools Paralympic Games Competition, you are hereby accepting the following competition rules and conditions.

- The competition is open to **ALL** state and non-state schools, including Learning Centres and Education Resource Centres. Teachers are encouraged to encourage their students to participate in the competition and to support them in case they find any difficulties submitting their entries.
- Each student may submit **ONE** entry for the year group category.
- **One** group entry of maximum **FIVE** students may be submitted for Category 3 Building Project. Each student may only participate within one group.
- Every school may submit **ONE** whole school entry in Whole School Paralympic Games Sport category.
- Entries must be original and must not have been previously published or entered in other competitions.
- All schools interested in participating must express their interest through this Google form on <https://forms.gle/Ro1fM1VrrDLozh8nz> by 18:00 on **TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024**.

## COMPETITION CATEGORIES

### CATEGORY I PRIMARY EARLY YEARS (YEAR 1-3)

#### ARTWORK

- Students in these year groups are to submit an **artwork** based on the **emblem, wordmark or mascot** of the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.



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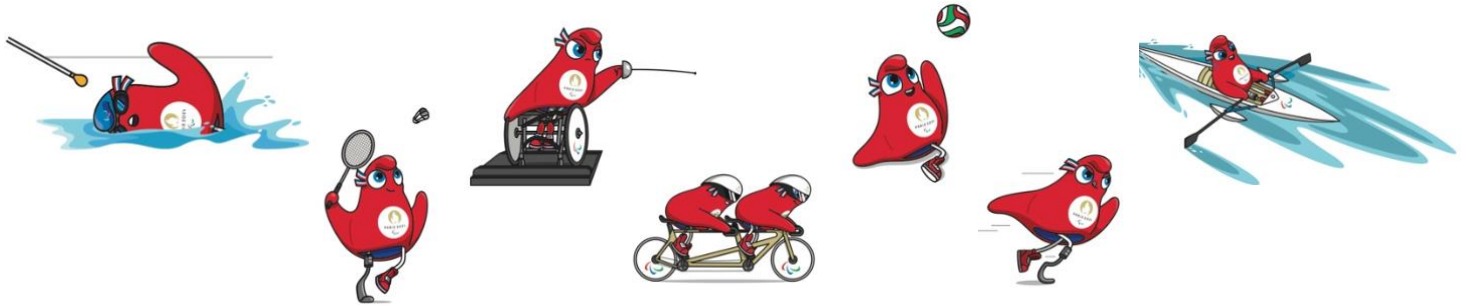
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- Students may also submit an artwork under the Paralympic motto: ***Change starts with sport.***
- Any media can be used for the **artwork**.
- It should be presented on plain **A4** (21cm x 21.7cm) white paper. The entry can be submitted in both **portrait** or **landscape** orientation.
- Students should write their name and surname, age, class, category and school name at the bottom of their artwork entry.

## CATEGORY 2 PRIMARY JUNIOR YEARS (YEAR 4-6)

### YOUR FAVOURITE PARALYMPIAN

- Students in these year groups are to submit an entry about their favourite **Paralympian** (i.e., a Para athlete who has competed at the Paralympic Games).



- This can range from any Paralympic Sport and may be a Paralympian from any country and any competition year or edition of the Paralympic Games.
- The entry could be presented as video / write-up/ chart / PowerPoint presentation. This must be submitted in **.JPG, .PNG, .PDF, .PPT, .VLC** or **.MP4** format and uploaded to the entry submission Google form.
- If you submit a video, the **video** must not be longer **two minutes** and must be submitted in VLC or MP4 format. Student details must be included as end credits in the video. The credits may exceed the two minutes allocated to the video.
- Students' details should include their name and surname, age, class, category and school name in the document.
- Entries must be creative and must not include Para athletes who participate in a Para Sport that is not on the official programme of the Paralympic Games or have never competed at the Paralympic Games. For the official list of Paralympic Sports, see <https://www.paralympic.org/sports>.

## CATEGORY 3 JUNIOR & SECONDARY YEARS

### BUILD A STADIUM

- Students in these year groups are to submit a design or model of a **stadium** of any Paralympic Sports of the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games. Students should recreate a stadium by one of the following means:
  - **recycled materials**
  - **digital programme**
  - **3D printing (maximum height of 45cm).**

- This category is divided into two sub-categories:
  - 3A.** Year 5 - Year 8 students
  - 3B.** Year 9 - Year 11 students



- Students can be **individuals** or in **groups**. Each **group** entry can include a maximum of **five** students.
- Participants should write their name and surname, age, class, category and school name together with their entry. In case of physical model, please take a photo of the model and upload a photo in the submission form.

# CATEGORY 4 WHOLE SCHOOL EVENT

## PARALYMPIC SPORT

The school must **organise a whole school event** (*this may be the whole school, or the whole primary, junior and/or secondary years*), which educates and give the opportunity to **students and educators to practice a Paralympic Sport**.

This event could also include more information on one or more of the following:

**Paralympic Games**  
**Paralympic Sport**  
**Maltese Para Athletes & Paralympians**



**This whole school event must be held between the 30 April 2024 and 6 June 2024.**

- Educators/SMTs in participating schools are to submit a video which highlights how students learned about the rules, practised and competed in a particular Paralympic Sport. It is very important to raise awareness that people with physical and visual impairments can participate in sport and physical activity too.
- The **video** must not be longer than **2 minutes** and must be submitted in **.VLC** or **.MP4** format.
- Participating students' and educators' names and surnames, ages, classes, and school name are to be included as end credits.

## SUBMISSION PROCESS

### GET INVOLVED!

**All entries must be submitted by the submission entry deadline via the Google forms listed below:**

Category 1 - Primary Early Years (Year 1 to Year 3) - <https://forms.gle/sHC499PkPp3pcxLs5>

Category 2 - Primary Junior Years (Year 4 to Year 6) - <https://forms.gle/FNMmSVQMhLmr63Br6>

Category 3 - Junior and Secondary Years (Year 5 to Year 11) - <https://forms.gle/7kYeubFMDjDUywbv8>

Category 4 - Whole School Event - <https://forms.gle/r6N5EidCiDrx1Yo56>

- Submissions should be submitted by no later than **Friday 14 June 2024**
- Late submissions will **not** be accepted.

Schools who encounter technical issues with submitting via the Google forms are kindly requested to contact us to arrange for alternative submission (e.g. physical copy submission).

# EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

## JUDGES AND PUBLIC VOTING

- The winning entries will be determined by the judging panel (**70%** of the voting weighting (**Judges Vote**) and by public vote (**30%** of the voting weighting) (the **Public Vote**). The Public Vote will open in June-September 2024 (TBC) and will be carried out via the social media platforms of Malta Paralympic Committee.
- A varied panel of judges who are representative of the local Paralympic Sport community and appointed by the Malta Paralympic Committee will judge the entries.
- **Bronze, Silver, and Gold** winners will be chosen for each category. Depending on the number and variety of entries, Malta Paralympic Committee reserves the right to award special categories of awards.
- The winners of each category will be selected through a fair and impartial process. All decisions taken by the judging panel are final.

**Entries for the Primary and Secondary categories will be evaluated on the following criteria:**

- Relevance to the category topic
- Overall impact
- Originality

**Entries for the Whole School Paralympic Sport Practice category will be evaluated on the following criteria:**

- Measures implemented to include the whole school and the wider community
- Preparation of rules and event organisation
- Overall impact



## ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPETITION WINNERS

- Every entry will be recognised with a certificate of participation and all participating schools will be awarded a token of appreciation.
- Names of winners, class and respective school will be announced via email as well as on social media, in **September 2024** (exact date TBC).
- Prizes will be presented during an award giving ceremony in **September 2024**, as part of the legacy programme after the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games. Location, date, and time details to be confirmed and communicated by Malta Paralympic Committee in September. The award ceremony is anticipated to coincide with the European Week of Sport 2024, which is expected to take place between **23-30 September 2024**.
- Winning entries will be exhibited during the prize giving ceremony and will be promoted on social media channels of Malta Paralympic Committee, as well as other third media.

## KEY DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Deadline for submission of interest	Tuesday 30 April 2024
Opening of period to carry out competition activities	Monday 29 April 2024
Closing of period to carry out competition activities	Thursday 6 June 2024
Deadline for submission of competition entries	Friday 14 June 2024
Public voting	July-September 2024 (dates TBC)
Award giving ceremony and announcement of winners	September 2024 (dates TBC)

## CONTACT DETAILS

Queries should be directed to Malta Paralympic Committee via email on [admin@paralympic.mt](mailto:admin@paralympic.mt).

For urgent queries, please contact Ms Rachel Cachia (Administration and Impact Officer) on +356 79818664 or Dr Julian Bajada (Secretary General) on +356 79010594.

## DISCLAIMER

By submitting your entry, the school acknowledges and agrees that:

- (i) the information and documentation being provided to the Malta Paralympic Committee, voluntary organisation VO/1616 (**MPC**). We acknowledge and accept that MPC may store, process and transfer this information (which may include personal data) in accordance with applicable law (including the EU's General Data Protection Regulation, EU Regulation 2016/679) and its privacy notice, a copy of which is available on MPC's website on <https://www.paralympic.mt/contact>, including for sports development, administration, educational, research, promotional and/or marketing purposes. Specifically, the school consents to photo/videographic evidence of the competition submissions, the name of the participating school and its participating classes, teachers and, or students being promoted and published by Malta Paralympic Committee on its social media channels and other third-party media (collectively the **Permitted Purposes**). Without prejudice to the generality of the aforesaid, the school hereby confirms that it has obtained consent from the parents/legal guardians of the participating students for such Permitted Purposes, and the school is not aware of such consent having been withdrawn at the time of submission.
- (ii) the school is solely responsible for the organisation and carrying out of any events and activities in relation to participation in the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Schools Competition. The MPC (and, or its administrators, officers, agents and, or other representatives) shall not be responsible and shall not be liable in relation to the organisation and carrying out of such events and, or activities or any matter relating to the school's participation in this competition (including but not limited the risk or occurrence of any personal injury or threat to the life or health of participants).



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