



# Paralympic Fundraising



## Mini Paralympics Tips and Ideas

Fundraising options: Ask students to donate a certain amount to participate, with the proceeds going to Paralympics Australia. Use your own fundraising page to collect the money.

Tips for organising:

- Set a date/s consistent with your school calendar.
- Promote the event through your school newsletter, website and Facebook groups, as well as in notes sent home.
- Devise a funds collection plan.
- Hold an Opening Ceremony to allocate a class or team to a country.
- Assign a volunteer to each sport.
- Create a schedule, draw and scoring matrix for each sport.
- If you are outside, ensure students have access to water and sun protection.
- Try to encourage a team of people within the school to help organise the event. This could include parents, teachers, senior students and community members.
- Assign small tasks to all volunteers to prevent any one person from becoming overwhelmed. Use the checklist below to ensure all tasks are accounted for.

Ideas to encourage participants and teachers:

- Visit <https://education.paralympic.org.au/> for free curriculum-linked resources for primary school students
- Encourage students to research the country they are competing for. What is their flag? What are their cultures and values? Who are some famous Paralympians?
- Practice each sport as a class or team before the Games, and discuss how difficult it is to play when you can't see, walk, etc.

Checklist:

- Determine which sports will be contested and over what period i.e. day, week or term.
- Confirm a fundraising model and timeline for collection
- Formulate a contingency plan for wet weather.
- Communicate updates to students and parents.
- Encourage teachers to discuss the Games in their classrooms.
- Download and print the medals.