

To parents and guardians of children starting Years 1 to 4 at Lakkegata school in the 2020/2021 school year

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INFORMATION ON PART-TIME PARTICIPATION IN THE AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITY PROGRAMME (ACTIVITY SCHOOL/AKS) FREE OF CHARGE FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1 TO 4 IN THE 2020/2021 SCHOOL YEAR

We are offering all children starting Years 1 to 4 at Lakkegata school part-time participation free of charge in the Activity School for the 2020/2021 school year. You can take advantage of this offer from August 2020.

How does free part-time participation work?

- Part-time participation means 12 hours per week. These hours are distributed evenly over the week, which allows the school to plan appropriately and provide a high-quality programme.
- Part-time participation also includes two days (Wednesday and Friday) per week during school holidays (autumn and winter holidays, Christmas and Easter holidays and summer holidays, except for the month of July, when the Activity School is closed).
- On school planning days, or days off between an official public holiday and a weekend during the school year, your child may attend the Activity School for a half day. However, the Activity School may be closed on up to two school planning days per year.

If you would like your child to benefit from the full spectrum of learning activities provided by the programme, you can apply for full-time participation at a reduced price.

Full-time participation at a reduced price

The price for full-time participation depends on the income of the parents/guardians. The monthly cost will be between NOK 242 and NOK 1,029. Full-time participation means that your child may attend the Activity School both before and after school hours as well as all days during school holidays (except July).

Increased participation and increased language skills

The Activity School is an alternative learning arena that aims to strengthen children's academic and social development through play and learning. The Activity School provides an extended learning time in cooperation with the school.

The content of the programme is based on a set curriculum and the Regulations concerning Activity Schools, as well as the guidelines for home-school cooperation. (Note: these documents are currently only available in Norwegian.)

The purpose of offering participation in the Activity School free of charge is to:

- increase participation in the Activity School
- strengthen children's language skills
- raise the quality of the Activity School and ensure a provision that promotes equality

How to apply for a place in the Activity School

To register your child(ren) in the Activity School, use the portal on the City of Oslo's website www.oslo.kommune.no/skole-og-utdanning/aktivitetsskolen/sok-plass-pa-aktivitetsskolen.

For more information on which schools offer part-time participation in the Activity School free of charge, see <https://www.oslo.kommune.no/skole-og-utdanning/aktivitetsskolen/gratis-deltakelse-etter-skoletid>.

Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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