

Should After-School Clubs Be made Compulsory?

Riverside school currently has many clubs offering opportunities to pupils. However many students miss out on these options limiting their chances of getting into top universities. Should After-School clubs be made compulsory?

Many benefits can come from attending clubs, studies have shown that kids that attend have a higher attendance in school and grades will therefore rise. Though children would rather go home and relax or play at the park than stay at school, if we persuade more people to go to clubs, many would be encouraged to attend, increasing social skills.

In Riverside school attending clubs, can be beneficial for pupils as they can acquire new skills needed to lead a good life for FREE. For instance, time management skills are vital in life when conducting business and Riverside School wishes to ensure the students the best career possible by helping increase that skill. Also, with the competition for University education getting tougher, having such skills on your CV as well as better grades due to perfect attendance guarantees you a place.

On the other hand, there are also disadvantages. If after school clubs are made compulsory it could affect revision and clash with personal activities. We also feel that students should have the right to choose whether they take part in these activities or not. This could affect relationship with their parents as they are not spending much time at home. If all students are forced to go to clubs, it would be difficult to regulate attendance to clubs as there are too many students going to clubs. Presently, clubs are free but if the number of students attending the club increase then it would be unfair on the staff which would result in chaos.

In conclusion, we believe that after school clubs should be compulsory as the benefits clearly overpower the disadvantages. Riverside gives away free skills that can be obtained for free and can lead to rewards in life such as top university education and jobs. What do you think?