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Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

You are invited to attend our Sports Day on Thursday 13th July. Sports Day will start at 1.45pm. We expect to be finished by 2.45pm.

Below there are some very important safety and safeguarding arrangements that we need your support with to ensure the smooth running of the event.

Entrance to school will be via the gate to the slope next to the school field (near the drop off bays). Secondary pupils will be at lunch until 1.35pm so we will not be able to open the gate until then. The gate will then have to be locked at 2pm. After this time, you will not be able to access the field and will have to watch from the fence. The gate has to be locked for the safety of all pupils.

Once inside there will be a designated area for spectators to sit or stand. Please do not try to cross the field to speak directly to your child. The children will be supervised by school staff and will be kept with their class throughout the event to aid the smooth running of the event and ensure no one misses their race. Please do not encourage them to come to you as it is important that staff know where pupils are at all times.

The gates will not open again until 2.35pm when secondary pupils leave. At this time there will be a member of staff at the gate to support parents as they leave. Please don't ask or arrange to leave early as this means a member of staff has to organise this and this will take them away from the event.

Toilet facilities are extremely limited and will only be available in the Sports Hall area. Toilets have to be supervised by staff members as secondary pupils will still have lessons during Sports Day and we have to maintain Safeguarding expectations. If possible, please try to only use the toilets in an emergency.

The children should come to school in their PE kit that day, they will need a drink of water (or a water bottle that can be filled), suncream and potentially a hat to protect them from the sun.

Sports Day is a fun event and an opportunity for all to take part in fun races and also show their sporting skills and talents. We want it to be a great event for all. We recognise it isn't always easy to see as we don't have stadium seating, but we ask that you stay in the designated areas and keep younger siblings and family members with you at all times. Please don't let them run onto the track or over to your child – we don't want them to get hurt. As there are so many children and families it would be helpful if you were able to minimize the number of spectators you bring along. In addition, please take home any litter you may have so that we can use the field after school.

At the end of the event the children will need to return to class to gather their belongings. Staff will then bring them back out onto the Plaza to meet you as normal. Please don't complicate this by asking to take them from the field. It is hard for staff to guide 30 children safely and keep track of them. Your support in this process is much appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you all.

Yours faithfully

M Kenneway
Head of Primary Education