

June 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Sports Day Events for Summer 2023

We will be running sports days in line with the arrangements for last year, splitting the events into EY/KS1, Year 3/4 and Year 5/6, each on a different day. Our recent experience of running sports day in this way has led to some significant advantages:

- There is less pressure on children and less chance of children becoming overwhelmed by a bigger event
- It reduces the time that children sit in the full sun waiting for lots of other year groups, whilst also avoiding the hotter parts of the day
- Parents and carers no longer have the issue of events happening at the same time for siblings

The events will start straight after dropping off, as close to 9.00am as we can manage, and should be finished within about an hour. We would therefore like to invite you to make your way around to the KS2 playground after dropping children off in the morning on the following days:

Monday 26th June – Year 3 and 4 (Classes 7, 8, 9 and 10)

Tuesday 27th June – EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 (Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6)

Thursday 29th June – Year 5 and 6 (Class 11, 12, 13 and 14)

Whilst we believe that the vast majority of children will want to take part, a benefit of running the events in this way is that the children who worry about sports day can choose to watch and not participate. Having the option to choose to take part or not in the events makes a big difference for many children. Before you arrange time to attend an event, please do check with your child(ren) (especially in KS2) to find out if they are taking part or not.

As in previous years, we hope for good weather so that sports events can go ahead as planned on the days above. However, in the event that the weather is very rainy and we have to cancel any of the sports days, we will contact parents and carers as soon as we can.

Yours Sincerely

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