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Information on Sports Day – Monday 16th June

Dear Families,

As you know, Sports Day is on **Monday 16th June**, with the reserve day being Tuesday 17th June.

Taking into consideration recent feedback from our families about events (including the difficulty taking time off work, the younger children being upset if left halfway through the day, having children in multiple year groups and struggling to see them all, lack of shade), we have tried to establish a plan that works as best as possible for our school as well as our families.

This year, Key Stage 2 activities will run in the morning (9am – 12pm) and Year R and Key Stage 1 activities will run in the afternoon (1pm – 3:15pm).

There will be a family picnic altogether on the playground from 12 – 12:45pm.

Please see timetable below:

	Year R and KS1	KS2
9:00 – 10:30		Potted Sports (on the field)
10:30 – 12:00		Races (on the field)
12:00 – 12:45	Family Picnic Lunch (on the playground) All children into classes at 12:45 for registration. Families to make their way to the field.	
13:00 – 14:15	Potted Sports (on the field)	
14:15 – 15:15	Races (on the field)	

Details of the timetable:

All children will begin their sports day with **potted sports activities on the school sports field**. Potted sports are made up of a carousel of activities, which all children participate in as part of their house team.





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They will then take part in **traditional races on the school sports field**. We appreciate that not all children like competing, however, all children are encouraged to 'have a go'. If they really do not wish to race, then they do not have to.

The whole school will then have a **picnic on the playground at 12pm**, which you are invited to join us for. Any child who is booked to have school dinners on this day will be provided with a 'grab bag' which they can eat on the playground. Please do bring along a picnic (no nuts please) and picnic blanket to enjoy with your children. As you know, the playground has limited shade, if you have any sun umbrellas, please do bring these along with you.

At the end of the day, all children will be taken back to their classrooms for usual **dismissal at 3:20pm**. You will be unable to take your child home before 3:20pm.

Safeguarding our children:

- **Items needed for the day:**

Please ensure that children have the following for the day:

- They will need to be dressed in their PE kit with suitable plimsolls / trainers, PE shorts and their school house coloured PE T-Shirt.
- Please apply sun cream prior to school.
- They will need a sun-hat and their burgundy school jumper / cardigan.
- Please send them with a water bottle - there will be opportunities to fill up the bottles throughout the day.

- **Zoned spaces:**

While the potted sports and running races take place, there will be clearly defined areas for adults and children. This is to ensure the safety of all of our children. Please do help the school to keep your children safe by encouraging this rule - if we all stick to it, it will be easier for the children to understand.

When the children are participating in their events and waiting in their areas, please do not approach them or distract them.

During the track events, the children will be on one side and parents on the other. For safety reasons, please do not stand behind the finishing line.

- **Picnic:**

During the picnic, all children will be able to sit with their families. Please bring nut-free food to the picnic and ensure your child returns to class for the register at 12:45pm.

Adults will be able to use the outside playground toilets **only** – children must use the indoor toilets.





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- **Your comfort:**

It is advisable to bring a fold-up chair for your comfort since no chairs will be provided. A sun umbrella would also be advisable if you have one, due to limited shade on the school site.

Support from Parents and Carers

Any help with setting up / packing away of activities would be greatly appreciated.

If we feel the weather is at all doubtful, we will inspect the field and try to let you know as soon as possible if we need to postpone. This will be via email.

At the end of the event we are unable to announce the winning house as all individual results have to be collated and counted. We will hold a special Sports' Day Worship to announce the winning team on Friday 20th June.

We hope that it will be a dry and enjoyable day for all involved! Thank you for your continued co-operation.

Kind regards,

Mrs J Frost
PE and Outdoor Learning Lead

