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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to our Sports Day on Tuesday 7 July. The sporting events will begin at 1.15pm. Although the weather is expected to be very warm, Sports Day will go ahead as planned. We have carefully considered the forecast and will be taking a number of precautions to keep everyone safe and comfortable throughout the event.

Please ensure that your child comes to school with:

- A named water bottle
- A sun hat
- Sun cream applied before school (and a named bottle of sun cream if they are able to reapply it independently)

Please ensure all items are clearly named.

If you do not wish your child to participate in Sports Day due to the hot weather, they may be collected from school at 12.00pm. Please note that children collected at this time must remain off-site for the rest of the event and cannot return as spectators. If you intend to collect your child at 12.00pm, please email the school office by 10.00am on Tuesday 7 July so that we can ensure they are ready for collection.

Parents and family members are welcome to arrive from 12.15pm to join their children in our OPAL play activities, which will now run until 12.45pm. The PTA will be serving refreshments, so do come along and enjoy a cold drink or snack while spending time with the school community.

At 12.45pm, the children will return to their classrooms to have a drink, reapply sun cream if needed and prepare for the afternoon's sporting events.

Each child in Reception to Year 5 will take part in two races: one fun race and one competitive race. Year 6 pupils will also take part in these races, as well as the traditional tug of war and final lap of honour.

We will also have a Pre-School Race for our younger children. In addition, Year 6 parents will have the opportunity to take on the Year 6 children in what is always a highly anticipated tug of war challenge!

There is some shade available on the field where the children will be sitting, and we will also put up gazebos to provide additional sheltered areas. Parents and family members are welcome to bring umbrellas, parasols and plenty of water. Water bottles can be refilled in the Art Room, which will also be available as a cooler indoor space should anyone need some respite from the sun during the event.



We will continue to monitor the weather forecast closely. Should the forecast move to an amber heat warning, we will review and implement any additional precautions necessary to keep everyone safe and comfortable. This may include taking classes into our air-conditioned KS2 classrooms between races to allow regular cooling breaks, alongside any other measures recommended at the time. We will also follow any updated guidance issued by the UK Health Security Agency or Department for Education.

And finally, I believe the staff may be participating this year too – but perhaps not quite in the way you might expect! You'll have to wait and see...

Thank you for your support in helping us to keep everyone safe and comfortable while still enjoying this special event. Sports Day is always one of the highlights of the school year and a wonderful opportunity to celebrate teamwork, perseverance and having fun together.

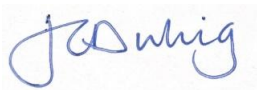
We look forward to welcoming you all on Tuesday and hope you enjoy cheering on the children, joining in the activities and perhaps even taking part in a race or two yourselves. With the PTA refreshments, Pre-School Race, Year 6 tug of war and a staff challenge, it promises to be a fantastic afternoon.

Sports Day Reminder Checklist

- ☒ Named water bottle
- ☒ Sun hat
- ☒ Sun cream applied before school
- ☒ Named sun cream provided (if your child can reapply independently)
- ☒ Arrive from 12.15pm if you'd like to join in the OPAL play activities
- ☒ Bring water, sun cream, umbrellas or parasols if attending
- ☒ Visit the PTA refreshment stall
- ☒ Use the Art Room for water refills or a break from the sun if needed
- ☒ Email the school office by 10.00am on Tuesday 7 July if you intend to collect your child at 12.00pm

Fingers crossed for a lovely afternoon and plenty of happy sporting memories.

Yours sincerely



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