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SPORTS DAY 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I hope you are aware, our whole school sports day will be taking place on **Tuesday 16th June**. Hopefully, the following will answer any questions that you may have and give you important information about the day.



WHAT TO WEAR

As always, the children will be competing in their house teams, so we would ask that they wear their **Chesterton house-coloured P.E. T-shirt**. Children should come to school in their PE kit on the day and will not be required to change into their school uniform at any point. It is extremely important that the children are wearing trainers suitable for running (i.e. not plimsolls, hi-tops or regular school shoes). If the weather forecast is to be a bit chilly, extra layers will, of course, be useful. Conversely, sun hats/sun

cream should be worn if we are blessed with some warmer weather and blue skies.

If parents and other supporters want to get into the spirit of friendly competition in the afternoon, we are more than happy for you to 'show your colours' in the crowd by wearing something in the colour of your children's house!



MORNING ACTIVITIES

Our activities will actually begin first thing in the morning, when the children will be taking part in an opening ceremony, some 'field' events and a long distance jog/run. During this time, they will earn points to be added to the house team totals ready for the afternoon session. We will explain the morning events to the children nearer the time. Unfortunately, it is not logistically possible for parents to spectate for this part of the day.

AFTERNOON RACES

Subject to the weather (see below), our 'track' events will be taking place throughout the afternoon and finishing close to the normal end to the school day. We suggest that you arrive at 12.50pm for events to begin promptly at 1.00 p.m. Now we have a 7-class sports day, we are likely to be a bit pushed for time!

We will put chairs and benches out for visitors so that the events can be watched from the opposite side of the track and cheered on. However, please be aware that there may not be enough seating for all spectators. We would kindly ask you to remain in the designated spectating area and stay clear of the start, finish and house team areas.



Please do not cross the track at any point or attempt to reach your child at any point. In the event of an injury, illness or issue that requires parent/carer intervention, a member of staff will liaise with you. Otherwise, please allow the staff to manage the children throughout the afternoon.

The School Association will be selling refreshments for family and friends. **We would kindly ask that these are for spectators only and not brought across to the children, who will have their water bottles.**



During the afternoon, every child will take part in three races, which will be selected in advance with the help of their class teachers. Points will be awarded for these races and added to the house team totals. We will finish with inter-house relays before the announcement of the scores and presentation to the winning team (time permitting).

WEATHER

We are hoping to be fortunate with the weather and will certainly aim to avoid postponements. However, I still think it is useful to provide the following clarification.



1. If the forecast is not good and/or we have heavy rain in the morning, we will try to make an early decision to enable parents to change their arrangements and in some cases stay at work. Any notification will be made via e-mail and also posted on the school website.
2. If the track is unsafe at the start of the day, due to overnight or earlier rain, we may wait until later in the morning to see if it dries out, but if it is not safe we may have to postpone. As I'm sure you'll understand, a damp, slippery track can be particularly dangerous for our older and faster pupils.
3. In the event of a cancellation due to bad weather and/or unsafe track, there will be no indoor alternative for the pupils to take part in, or parents to spectate. We will then review the weather forecasts and the calendar of other school or partnership events and will inform parents if we can arrange a new date, if possible with plenty of notice.

We value your support for these events and look forward to seeing you 'track-side' on the day.

Yours, Mr. I Horner (Headteacher)



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