

Winklebury Federation

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Dear Parents

Junior School Sports Morning

I am writing to invite you to join your children for the Junior sports morning on Friday 20th June at 9.30am, on the Junior school field.

As we have successfully done in previous years, we are extending the morning to include a family picnic at approximately 12.15pm following the end of the sports events. You are invited to bring a picnic for yourselves to enjoy on the field with us. We expect lunch to be finished by approximately 1.00pm.

There will be no hot lunches on Friday 20th June. If your child is on Free School Meals the kitchen can provide a picnic lunch on receipt of the order form below. If your child is not entitled to free school meals, please send him/her with a picnic lunch just for that day or complete the form to purchase a packed lunch from the kitchen. Please do not send sweets or products with nuts in and no glass bottles or jars please.

Packed lunches must be ordered by 9.00am on Friday 6th June on this Microsoft e-form:

https://forms.office.com/e/uNQYHiUSMb

If you are staying for a picnic lunch, you will need to collect your child/children from their classteacher(s) when the whole school comes out on to the field for lunch. If you are not staying for lunch, the children will sit in their class groups with a member of staff.

Please note: we promote healthy eating at our schools and we expect adults to model this for the children so please do not bring fast food (including fish and chips or anything from a chain such as McDonalds) on to the school site and alcohol is not permitted in any form. Thank you.

If you are unable to come to sports morning or stay for lunch, please do not worry the staff will take good care of children who do not have anybody attending.

Please note: for safeguarding reasons, children will only be allowed to sit with their own parent or another family member for the picnic lunch. If you are unable to attend and wish your child to sit with another adult known to your family you <u>must</u> give your permission for this on the Microsoft form above.

The children will be put into teams for the sports morning and they should wear their white P.E. t-shirt and we will provide means of identifying the teams.

In addition to their white t-shirts, the children will need:

- plain dark P.E. shorts;
- trainers that can be securely fastened and are the appropriate size;
- their water bottle;
- a hair tie for children with long hair;
- tape to cover earrings or preferably, remove earrings for the day of the sports morning unless your child can remove and replace them independently (please be reminded we are not permitted to remove or replace earrings for children);
- a sun hat if the weather promises to be sunny;
- sun cream applied before coming to school if the weather promises to be sunny.

For the sports morning, please make your way to the school field via the main entrance to the school. Other gates will not be open for security reasons. The sports events will be organised as a series of activities with the children moving round the events in groups - you are invited to move around the events and watch your child/children so you will be on the move all morning! Please feel free to bring a chair if you wish to do so (and/or a rug for the picnic lunch). If you have a disability and are unable to carry a chair, please let us know and we will provide one for you.

After these activities <u>some of the children</u> will take part in one or two competitive races on the track (racing against like ability and in separate races for boys and girls) and you are invited to sit along the track to watch.

Please note: the children will only enter the competitive races if they wish to do so. They will be asked who wishes to take part and staff will then make the arrangements based on those numbers.

Once the events are finished, we will have the picnic lunch. Once they have finished their lunch the children will move to the front playground for a playtime and we ask you to say goodbye to them at that point and leave the site via the front gate to the school.

Please be reminded:

- The purpose of the sports mornings is for the children to have fun! Every child will be commended for taking part and for their effort in joining in. We emphasise the importance of joining in and team spirit!
- For all the children's safety we ask that you do not approach your child during the activities it is difficult for staff to ensure all children remain with their group if adults are coming over to see them. We will deal with any issue that arises and will send for you should we need to.
- Photography <u>is</u> permitted at the sports morning but any photos taken must be for personal use only and **must not be placed on any social networking site including Facebook.** Your child may be included in a 'shot' of a group during their activity if you are not happy about this, please speak to your child's classteacher BEFORE the sports morning.
- There must be no smoking on the school site. If you wish to smoke please leave the site and move well away from the school gates and out of sight of the school buildings.
- Dogs must not be brought on to the school site and must not be left at the school gates during the morning.
- If parking a car, please do not block any of our neighbours' garage entrances.

Thank you for your co-operation and support. We hope you enjoy the morning and look forward to seeing you.

Yours sincerely

Miss H Walker Acting Head of Federation