

Shobnall Primary School



8th May 2017

Dear Parents,

With the Summer Term underway, we wanted to share with you our date for the upcoming Sports Day event and share with you the structure and organisation for the morning. The date is Monday June 19th and if required, the reserve date is Wednesday 21st June 2017.

Immediately after Sport's Day last year, Mrs Welch and Mr Attwood captured the views from our children and parents regarding the current structure and it became apparent that all who were consulted, wanted to see a far more inclusive event, one which would enable pupils with a wider range of skills to be able to display such talents and use them to good effect for the benefits of their collective house team.

Therefore, Mrs Welch and Mr Attwood, through consultation with pupils, have devised a new format this year which we anticipate will be far more rewarding for our children and ensure a far more enjoyable experience, especially for those children who are not necessarily blessed with the ability to just run quickly.

Therefore, the following events will now be built in to the Sports Morning:

- Basketball Shot.
- Bean Bag Throw challenge.
- Javelin throw x 3
- Long jump x 3
- Football shot x 3
- Hockey shot x 3

The children in our EYFS will also be competing in a carousel of activities and these will all be similar to the above with one or two exceptions.

However, we do not want to remove the sprint races from the event but this year it will be for children who wish to represent their team. Therefore, we will have: 2 Sprint races per year group and 1 Sack race per year group. Of course it wouldn't be a Shobnall Sports Morning without the Toddler/Pre-school race and Parent's race also.

All parents and family members will be able to watch the carousel of sporting activities from a central area and children will be representing their teams as they compete in what are essentially field events. However, upon completion of these events, we will use the track, as usual, for the running events. Upon completion of the field events, we anticipate having a break before moving the chairs and cones to enable all our parents who wish to remain, to watch the sprint and sack races for selected children.

It is hoped that this new format will ensure a more inclusive event and one in which pupils are active throughout the whole morning rather than when they are running, as in previous years. We believe that this will ensure a far more interesting and positive feel whilst ensuring that all parents and family members have the chance to see their children competing in a wide and varied range of sporting activities and activities in which will enable all pupils, of all abilities, to excel.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'R. Cruise'.

Mr. R. Cruise
Headteacher.

