

13 June 2025

## Sports and Healthy Living Week - Monday 14th July - Friday 18th July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of the sporting events we have planned at Solent Infant School in July.

Our annual Sports Week will be held this year from **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**. During this week, the children will be finding out about Sports and Healthy Living, as well as taking part in a variety of physical activities. As such, we would ask that your child comes to school dressed in **sporting attire all week**. This must be clothing that your child can move easily in, earrings to be taped up and long hair tied up too. We will be spending extra time outside this week (weather permitting!), so please ensure shoulders are covered (no vest tops), sun cream is applied before your child comes to school and sun hats are in school every day, as well as water bottles.

## Sports Events

During our Sports Week, we will be receiving specialist coaches and visitors into school, to deliver a range of exciting opportunities to our learners. We are welcoming Megan Wright, a PE specialist, in on Monday, who will be leading class Athletics sessions for all our children. We have Zumba workshops from the 'Sporting Dreams Company' visiting us on Wednesday, to lead dance workshops for our learners. Thursday will see Skateboarding workshops for our Key Stage One classes, inspiring them to try this new Olympic sport! On Friday, we have Portsmouth Tennis Centre coming to Solent Infant School to lead a series of tennis sessions for the whole school.

Throughout the rest of the week, we will continue to have our usual excellent curriculum PE, led by Megan Wright and CM Sports, who have super active sessions planned for our special sports week. We also have circuit training, yoga, mindfulness, class dance sessions, balance biking and extra adventure playtime planned in too! As well as the fitness focus, we will also be teaching the children about the importance of adopting a healthy lifestyle, focusing on healthy eating choices, hygiene and mindfulness, linked to their well-being.

## Parental Involvement

We would love for you to join our children during their class's planned sprint races on Monday 14th July or Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July. The sprinting event will be held on the Recreation Ground behind the school and you are welcome to wander up and cheer on your child, and their class, during the heats and finals. Please note that your child will be running **once**, unless they are successful and make it through their heat to run in the boys/girls final. We would appreciate your understanding and support when it comes to judging the results of the sprint races. We will have a selection of volunteers at the finish line and results will be decided by the human eye. There will not be any opportunity to analyse video footage!

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As this is a public facility, we will request that you stay in the marked areas, so we can ensure the safety of all the children taking part. Please note there will be no seating and the event will start promptly, only lasting around 20 minutes. This is purely an opportunity for you to have a 'taste' of the exciting events we have organised if you are able to join us. We understand that you would like to take photos and videos of your child during their sprint race, but please politely request that you **DO NOT** post these photos on **ANY** social media. If you have any concerns about this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

We have reserved the following dates and times for the sprinting races (weather permitting!) on the Recreation Ground behind the school:

•	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	1.10-1.40pm Reception T 1.45-2.15pm Reception DB 2.20-2.50pm Reception L
•	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15-9.45am 2B 9.55-10.25am 2R 11.00-11.30am 2M
•	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	1.10-1.40pm 1E 1.45-2.15pm 1G 2.20-2.50pm 1C

Children who are successful in securing a medal during their sprint race, will be invited to attend an afternoon medal ceremony on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025, where they will receive their medal in front of their parents and peers.

We hope your child will look forward to lots of new experiences during their Sports and Healthy Living Week at Solent Infant School.

Best wishes,

Mrs J Dallinger PE Lead

