



# DARRICK WOOD SCHOOL

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## AN ACADEMY AND TEACHING SCHOOL

Dear Parent / Carer

### DARRICK WOOD SCHOOL SPORTS DAY 2018

**FRIDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY, NORMAN PARK ATHLETICS TRACK**

Following another successful Sports Day last year at Norman Park Athletics Track, we will be returning this year.

**All pupils in Years 7-9 will be expected to meet at Norman Park Athletics Track by 9.20am on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> July** in full school PE kit. Once they arrive, they should meet their form tutor where they will be **registered**. Pupils **should not arrive at school**, as there will not be any provision to transport pupils to Norman Park.

At the end of the day, pupils will be **dismissed from Norman Park at approximately 2.30pm**.

**Please be aware that pupils are expected to make their own way to and from Norman Park.**

**Sports Day is a compulsory day for ALL pupils like all other school days.**

#### **What to Bring**

Pupils will be expected to dress in full school PE kit (black school shorts, black school T-shirt, yellow school socks and appropriate trainers). Additionally, pupils can bring their school PE jumpers, school tracksuit bottoms and school rain jackets. If the weather is hot, please ensure they bring a **plain hat and sun cream**. We also ask that all pupils bring a **packed lunch** and plenty of **water** to drink with them on the day.

#### **Staffing and Facilities**

At the track there will be pupils from Years 7-9, all school staff and members of staff from the athletics track to ensure our pupils' safety. Toilets will be available for the pupils to use and a First Aider available for the duration of the event in case of any medical emergencies. **If your son/daughter has any medical conditions that may need medication or could be affected by sports participation please inform Mrs Harvey as a matter of urgency.** We will not have any access to changing areas. Parents/carers will be able to use the temporary toilets provided.

#### **Weather**

Last year it was extremely hot, so please ensure your son or daughter is fully prepared for all types of weather. We will alert all pupils prior to Sports Day and via the School's website if there is a cancellation due to the weather. If this happens we will revert to a normal school day. If unexpected inclement weather occurs during the event pupils will be dismissed from Norman Park to make their way home, you will be informed by email and a message will be placed on the School's website. Prior to the event, please make it very clear to your son or daughter your preference of how they should make their way home in this circumstance i.e. wait to be picked up from Norman Park or make their own way home.

## Getting there

Norman Park is very accessible via public transport. The nearest train station is Bromley South, which is a short walk from the arena and there are several buses that pass close to the park. If you are dropping off by car, we will have a small team of staff and Year 12 students to direct you. We request that you turn left as you enter the car park and use the far side as a drop off point. Please do not drop off / pick up pupils directly outside the entrance as this is likely to cause congestion. Please can we encourage you to consider how you could help reduce congestion i.e. car sharing or public transport.

## Parental Support

We welcome the support of parents/carers and relatives. When you arrive, we request that you use the designated section to your immediate left as you come through the main entrance. We encourage you to speak to your son/daughter beforehand to find out approximately when they will be competing in their events for their House. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide seating for the event and **pupils will be expected to sit in their own designated area with the rest of their Year group.**

## Refreshments

We will be running a stall selling water this year that is being sponsored by Orpington Sainsbury's. All proceeds will be going towards our new charity based praise and rewards scheme.

Thank you in advance for your support for what should be a great experience for all involved. Please do not hesitate to contact the PE department or your son's/daughter's Form Tutor should you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely

Mr B Aylwin

Head of Physical Education