

1st May 2025

Rooksdown Sports Day and Summer Fayre - Thursday 22nd May

Dear Parents and Friends of Castle Hill,

It's that wonderful time of year when we're excited to invite you all back to our annual Sports Day event! As always, we have listened to all the parent feedback on how we can improve our events, and the main message from the vast majority was that it's a great day and more of the same! The planned date for our Sports Day is **Thursday 22nd May**. We have listened to your concerns about the weather and have decided to reschedule Sports Day for an earlier date.

As it is also Get Active Week, please ensure your child comes to school in a full PE kit on Monday 19th and Thursday 22nd May.

Approximate timings for the event:

Time	Instructions
08:35 onwards	Gates open, and children are dropped off at their classrooms as usual. We will have a hot drink van on site
	to support our Rooksdown Fire Fighters.
08:35 - 09:10	Park Gate and Service Gate remain open for parents to assemble and prepare for the day. Please look for
	signs, or staff will direct you to your child's location.
09:10	Gates locked - if you arrive after this time, please come through the main entrance gate.
09:10-9:25	Children will arrive at their allocated area
09:30	Sports day commences
11:15	The choir will be singing for us
11:30	Sports day finishes; children can be collected from their usual collection point, and the family picnic starts
12:30	Summer Fayre commences. Please do not touch the stalls until they are manned.
14:00	Inflatable run on the field
15:15	Children are to be collected if they haven't been collected already
16:00/16:30	Summer Fayre finishes

Picnic or School Packed Lunch

You have a lovely opportunity to bring a family picnic to share with your child/ren, but please remember that no nuts and no alcohol are allowed on school grounds. Alternatively, if you wish to order a picnic lunch for your child (note that hot meals will not be available) or if they are entitled to a free school meal, **please pre-order on Scopay by Monday**, **12th May**. Any children without a lunch ordered will be noted as having a picnic provided by their family or grown-ups.

The school picnic lunch will be: **M Option** – Ham Sandwich **V Option** – Cheese Sandwich Do not pick the P option.

Parking

There is very little parking available around the school site, so please walk to this event whenever possible to avoid congestion outside the school and as a courtesy to our neighbouring residents. There is NO parking at the Community Centre. Please also remember that dogs are not permitted on the school grounds.

Weather & Refreshments

In case of hot weather, please be aware that there is limited shade on the site, so you may want to bring a hat and refreshments with you. Children should have sun cream applied before school starts, wear a hat and carry a water bottle to stay hydrated. There will be two rest points for the children where they will be able to cool down and have a drink of water. Thanks to the fantastic Fundraising Friends, there will be a selection of hot drinks and cold drinks from 'Real Awesome Coffee' before sports day commences.



Throughout the day, a drinks stall will be available, offering refreshments for purchase, and it will also serve as a free water refill station. There will be an ice-cream van on site during the Sports Day, picnic lunch, and the Summer Fayre.

Food Waste & Recycling

We are an eco-school, and in line with new legislation, we have updated our recycling procedures. We are now required to separate our food waste. Please ensure that your food waste is placed in the designated food bins, alongside your recyclable and non-recyclable rubbish. The bins provided will be clearly labelled as to what can go in which bin. If you bring in a picnic from home, please try to minimise the amount of waste.

Sports Day Protocols

During Sports Day itself, please remember to stay behind the barriers at all times and rotate in a clockwise direction. External toilets will be available and sign posted, ask a member of staff if you are unsure of their location. Access to the school building will not be permitted. Please note that reception will not be available to parents during the event. All photos taken should be used for personal use and not shared on social media. Please refrain from bringing any coats or bags. Your child needs to bring their water bottle, and if they would like to wear their house colour top, then feel free. Please put sun cream on your child if needed.

This year will work slightly differently. Each teacher will be with a colour house group. Please refer to the map attached to determine where your child/ren will be starting, and check with your class teacher if you are unsure which house group your child/ren is in.*

Dismissal & Google

At the end of Sports Day, **all children** will be taken back to their classrooms to collect their belongings and will be dismissed from their usual door. Your child must be signed out by their class teacher, at which point they will become your responsibility. No child is allowed to walk home after Sports Day, and children must be supervised at the Summer Fayre; they are your responsibility once the class teacher has signed them out. Please enjoy a family picnic on the school field and join us at the Summer Fayre.

If your child is not being collected at 11:30 and needs to stay at school for the entire day, please complete this Google form <u>https://forms.gle/7zAjHuyxKYGTFAvR7</u>. They will enjoy a picnic lunch with their class teacher and then return to the Year R classroom for games and activities. They will have the opportunity to visit the Summer Fayre with a teacher, so please provide a **small amount of money** if you want them to participate. Your child will need to be collected at 15:15 from the Year R playground. Please enter through the Year R gate located on the service road. There will be no external clubs, extracurricular clubs, or SCL, so your children must be collected at 15:15.

If we are unlucky with the weather on the day, we will consult weather predictions and circulate a new date as soon as possible.

Get Active Week – 19th – 23rd May

During the week of May <u>19th-23rd</u>, the children will participate in various activities as part of 'Get Active Week'. We aim to introduce new sports to children, build on our collaboration skills, and showcase new sports personalities, ultimately encouraging children to become more active. The children will be participating in a no-pen day on <u>Monday</u>, <u>19th May</u>, and will need to wear their <u>P.E. kits all day</u> for these activities.

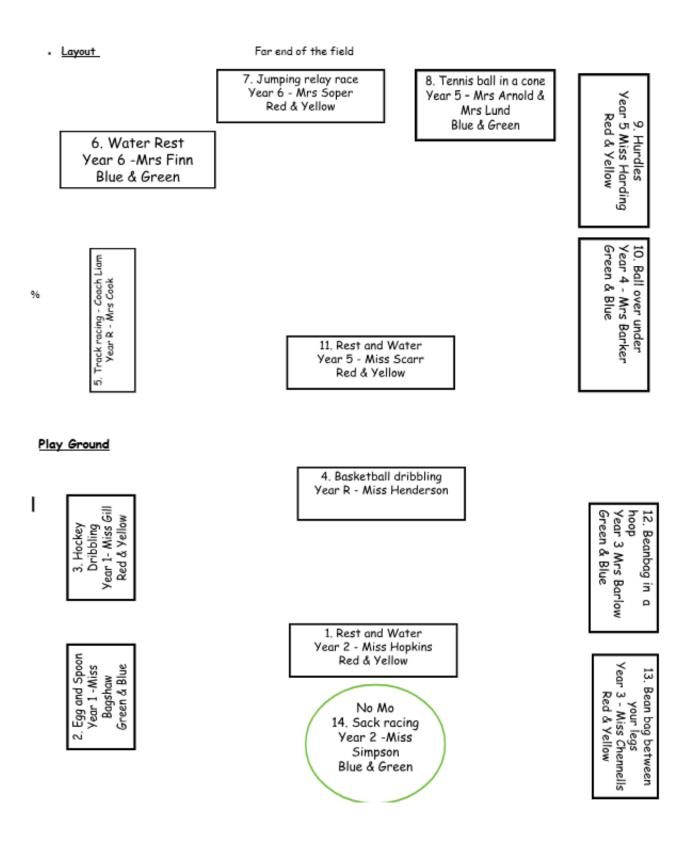
We are looking forward to welcoming you to what we hope will be a fantastic and fun-filled event. Let us hope the weather is kind to us!

Best wishes,

CHPS Team



Sports Day Map



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