



9th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: Sports Day 2026 - Friday 10th July 2026**

Further to our letter earlier in the week, we have been monitoring the forecast carefully, alongside looking at a sensible contingency plan.

The temperature is currently forecast to reach 20-28 degrees during the morning, before peaking at 31-32 degrees between 1pm and 2pm. Given these high temperatures, we have adjusted our schedule. This will allow Sports Day to safely go ahead while ensuring students remain fully hydrated and shielded from extended periods in direct sunlight.

Our plan will be as follows-

- Our athletic events will be rescheduled to take place in the morning between 9am-11am. Students spectating will be directed to shaded areas around the running track.
- We have planned a carousel of team events to take place for the rest of the day. Each event will last for 20 minutes maximum and will take place in a variety of indoor spaces and outdoor areas where there is access to shade. Please note that the majority of these events will be taking place in our indoor spaces such as the sports hall and assembly hall.
- The carousel is planned to be a team event, so students will have an opportunity to participate and spectate. Activities are also designed to minimise sustained periods of physical exertion.
- We have included extended break times where students can rest in the shade and keep hydrated. There will also be an extended tutor time in the middle of the day to keep students out of the sun in this period of time.
- We will continue to monitor the weather and conditions throughout the day and there is a contingency to return to normal lessons if conditions are not conducive to events taking place. This will enable students to be in cooler and shaded spaces if required.
- There will be hydration points available throughout the day, students will receive plenty of reminders and opportunities to refill their water bottles. We will also remind students to apply sunscreen across the day.
- We have acquired additional gazebos to provide shaded spaces for students throughout the day whilst outside.

As a final precaution, we will continue to watch the forecast in the lead up to Sports Day. If the temperature looks to rise any further or a weather warning comes into force, we will review and if necessary, cancel the event.

Each student will be given all relevant information in school by their tutors but listed below is key information for you-



- Students should arrive at school in their **full St Dunstan's PE Kit** (black sports polo, plain black shorts/skort/leggings, white socks, trainers).
- As per our kit policy, please ensure that shorts and skorts are worn in adherence to our uniform policy.
- If for any reason your child is unable to wear St Dunstan's branded kit a plain black shirt and shorts with minimal branding may be worn.
- Students **need** to bring a suitable **cap/sunhat** and a **refillable water bottle**.
- Students need to also wear and bring their own **sun cream**. We ask all parents & families to ensure that students arrive at school with sun cream already applied, so that they can top this up during the day.
- The school canteen will be open as usual.
- Students may bring appropriate ways to display support for their tutor groups in the way of home-made flags and banners.
- Students who are not able to participate in sporting activities will be assigned alternative roles that will contribute to their tutor group and/or the wider running of the day.

We are really looking forward to the day as it should serve as a fantastic whole school event, celebrating our community and the amazing sporting achievements of our students!

Yours sincerely

Mr S Green

Ms J Stead

Sports day lead organisers  
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