

St Paul's C of E Junior School

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Dear Parents,

TVRL - Bluecoat School - Thursday 10th October

Your child has been successful in their application to take part in the first TVRL race at Bluecoat School, Sonning, Reading, Berkshire RG4 6SU. Please collect your child promptly from the playground gates on Murray Road at **12.30pm**. Children will require a packed lunch which they will need to eat in the car en route to the race. Children should register with the St. Paul's staff once you arrive at the assembly area.

We are fortunate to have this great venue but please be aware that parking is restricted and where possible please car share. There will be marshals directing the traffic so please be patient if there are delays getting into the venue. Parking will be available on Sonning Field opposite the school entrance, there will be marshals directing the traffic on the day. The course will cover open ground and wooded areas. 3 / 4 course - approx. 1500m

5 / 6 course - approx. 2000m

<u>Parents and Spectators</u> All parents and spectators are asked to remain in the race assembly area at all times to ensure your children are supervised when they are not racing. You will be able to watch part of the race when they are running but please remain well clear of the funnel at the finish of the race to ensure the runners are safely reunited with school staff and directed back to the race assembly area.

One final reminder, it is not acceptable for parents/coaches to run around with their children unless there is a specific need. Whilst we welcome encouragement please ensure you remain well clear of the funnel at all times.

Please complete the EV2 under the forms section of ParentMail, you will only need to complete this once to cover your child for all the races during the season.

If you will be transporting other children please complete the EV4 form available on our website at http://www.stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk/website/letters/29842. This form will only need to be completed once and will be held on file for the rest of the year.











Children will need:

- St. Paul's PE kit (plain white t-shirt, navy blue shorts) with clean trainers
- a water bottle;
- a black or navy sweatshirt and coat to wear in case of bad weather.

We will provide TVRL t-shirts just before the race.

Yours sincerely C Foster Mrs C Foster PE and Games Coordinator

Race Information:

Date: Thursday 10th October

Instructions:

- Arrive at venue 1.15
- Walk the course from 1.30
- Please report your 2 marshals to Hazel Barnard and Lizzie Archer-Doran at the holding area and collect your result sheets on arrival
- Briefing at 2.00 with Hazel Barnard, Lizzie Archer-Doran and Julie Culham

Race Order:

Please note that the races will be starting earlier than usual at this venue. First Race yr 3 & 4 girls - 2.15pm Second Race yr 3 & 4 boys - 2.30pm Third race yr 5/6 girls - 2.45pm Fourth race Yr 5/6 boys -3.00pm

Please ensure you have vacated the area by 3.30pm.

Parking:

There is limited parking for cars and coaches opposite the school. Cars will be able to park on Sonning Field opposite the school entrance and will be directed by Marshals on the day. We are hoping that coaches will be able to park at Berkshire County Sports Club, however they have not yet confirmed this. If we are unable to use this car park for coaches, all coaches will have to drop off children and return when the event has finished. I hope to have an update on coach parking very soon. **No cars or coaches are to enter the school site**.

Race Assembly Area:

From the car park, cross over the road towards Blue Coat School. Walk past the cricket ground on your left. The assembly field is then on the right.

This will be used as the meeting point and where the Start/Finish will be located.











Toilets:

These are located by the cricket ground.

If needed, there are toilets in the sports building however managers must supervise children, ensuring they take off their shoes before entering the building and ensure children are not disturbing the school day. Please make sure children are respectful of the fact that others will be working. If we are seen to not be respecting these rules, we will not be able to use the venue next year.

Course route: Year 3/4 Race



Yr 3 & 4 map: Approx 1.5km











Year 5/6 Race



Year 5 and 6 children will do a lap clockwise around the first field at the beginning of the race. When they enter the field round the back of the school, they will run around the whole field (rather than running directly towards the tree).

On their way back, before they enter the finish, they will run a lap of the first field (again) but this time anti-clockwise.

Marshals:

Marshal positions

Please refer to the race maps and ensure that your marshals know where they will be positioned prior to the race. When marshals arrive they must go to the race registration to be briefed by Hazel Barnard. Please ensure all marshalls have mobile phones and if they need to contact Danesfield's managers during the race please could they phone 07834515140.

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Safety:

All children must be accompanied by an adult when walking the course.

Please ensure you walk the route first and point out any hazards to children.

There may be fallen twigs/tree roots to be aware of. There is a steep drop to the side of the course through the woodland area. Here, there will be fencing and a marshal to ensure that children to do enter the taped off area.

There will also be marshals at regular intervals throughout the course. Please ensure you provide 2 marshals for your school.

Venue Postcode:

RG4 65U









