

17 June 2010

Dear Parents

Senior School Sports Day – Friday 9 July

The PGS Senior School Sports Day in celebration of Hilsea 125, will be held at the Hilsea playing fields on Friday 9 July. As part of our celebrations, **all** pupils from the Senior School will be competing in this one-off special event which will include, amongst numerous activities, sack races, welly-wanging and hurdling over hay bales alongside the more traditional athletics disciplines. There will also be the opportunity to take part in some extra activities that will not score points but will raise money for the Bursary Fund in memory of Neil Blewett. We aim to charge 20p per go for these and so your child may want to bring in a small amount of cash for this purpose.

Pupils are to arrive and register at school as normal in the morning. They will then be transported to Hilsea by bus at 10.00am. Pupils will be dismissed from Hilsea at 3.50pm and we will assume that they will either be collected from the Lido or make their own travel arrangements home. If you would prefer your child to return to school, coaches will be provided but we would ask that you inform your child's Form Tutor of this as soon as possible please.

Pupils are asked to wear their PGS sports kit to school on this day. This must be a full tracksuit with athletics vest and shorts underneath. Training shoes may be worn, and spikes (if owned) must be safely transported in a bag. Heads of House will be announcing athletics teams in good time.

In order to get through a busy programme of events it is asked that all pupils bring a packed lunch to school on this day. Please will pupils also bring plenty to drink to stay hydrated.

Parents are warmly invited to attend Sports Day and we look forward to welcoming you as you support your children. However, please be aware that should you be travelling by car, then **parking will only be available at the Lido next door to the playing fields.**

Should the day be rainy an assessment will be made at school during the morning and a message will be left on the Hilsea answer phone (023 9236 4267) with the cancellation. We have a reserve date of Monday 12 July if needs be. All pupils should still come to school in PGS sports kit as the event will be run if at all possible.

We wish all competitors well and look forward to the day itself.

Yours sincerely

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