

## UPTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

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## Ever wanted to swim in the Olympic Aquatics Centre?

That's exactly where 15 Upton pupils ended up last year after joining our Upton Biathlon Team. Swimming competitively in the same pool as the 2012 Olympic Champions. Most of them had never heard of a biathlon before, let alone entered one.

A schools biathlon involves a 50m Swim and a separate 800m run. A huge number of children in this school are either strong swimmers or good runners (or both) and this event would suit them perfectly. An athlete's swim time and run time are converted into points, with the top 100 children in each age group across the country invited to the National Finals at the Olympic Park.

This year the SE Biathlon finals take place on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015 in Gillingham and we are looking now to enter <u>ANY AND ALL</u> INTERESTED PUPILS. Why not have a go and be part of a school team?

## Below are the entry requirements:

Pupils must be born in 2004; 2005 or 2006 (age groupings are determined by this rather than by school year)

Parents need to pay a £10 entry fee to affiliate their child and commit to ensuring their child can get to the event in Gillingham on  $17^{th}$  October. The school also pay £10 for each child to enter

Children need to practice running and swimming these distances regularly prior to the event

It's as simple as that. The school will enter all pupils who want to take part.

If you would like your child to be part of this please return the form below with the £10 entry fee by <u>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September</u> in a sealed envelope marked '**Mr Walker** - **Biathlon**' and we will send out further information about the event.

Kind regards

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Mr Walker Deputy Headteacher

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