

# UPTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, on the **afternoon of Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July** our 'Upton Colour Run' takes place on the school field. Every child in the school is invited to take part **as are YOU**, as parents and carers, and any younger siblings! It should be a memorable event!

As this is an event that wouldn't normally take part in a typical school day, **if your child would like to be involved we require your permission**. Below is a permission slip this needs to be completed and returned by **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July otherwise your child cannot take part**. The choice is entirely up to you.

Thank you to so many generous parent sponsors, whom I will chronicle in a letter closer to the time. If you have ever been part of a Colour Run before then you will know that typically it costs £15-£20 per person to take part. Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors we have been able to get costs down to just **£3 per entrant**. For that amount your Upton child can take part in the event **and will also receive a colour run medal**. Sunglasses will be available to purchase on the day for £1.



Upton Junior School is a 'cashless' school and as such the entry fee for this event should be paid via 'School Money' in the same manner as school trips. If you have difficulty paying in this manner please contact the school office. Parents and sibling entry can also be made in the same way.

**Powder Pouches for Sale:** While the organisers will throw colour powder at the runners as they pass through the colour stations, children can buy a small pouch of the powder to throw themselves. The pouches costs £2 and we limit this to one pouch per child initially to give everyone in the school the chance to purchase. The option to purchase this is also via [www.eduspot.co.uk](http://www.eduspot.co.uk) School Money 'School Shop' tab.

We look forward to a memorable event!

Kind Regards  
Mr Walker  
Deputy Head

Upton Junior School, Broadstairs  
The Upton Colour Run 2019

I give my permission for my child .....in class .....to take part in the Colour Run.

I confirm that I have read and understand the information above and overleaf.

I have paid for my child's place and any additional runners or powder pouches on School Money

My child **will not** be taking part

Signed .....Parent/Guardian Print Name .....

Date .....

Relevant Medical Information .....

**COMPLETE AND RETURN NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

## **FAQ's**

### **What's this Colour Run all about?**

It's just one of the many ways we try to make school fun and memorable getting parents involved and family members.

### **What happens in a Colour Run?**

Children run around the field with their friends and coloured powder is thrown at them as they pass through checkpoints. The aim is to become as colourful as possible!

### **What do children need in order to take part?**

On the 19<sup>th</sup> July children need to arrive in normal school clothes; learning will take place in the morning and the Upton Family Picnic takes place at lunch,

### **Each runner needs:**

- **A signed parental permission slip and entry fee paid via School Money**
- Something sensible to run in. This is usually shorts and a white t-shirt. A pair of sunglasses or a pair of goggles to protect their eyes
- A bandana or similar to go around your mouth for when you pass through a colour station.
- A towel
- A bottle of water
- A cap to protect from the sun
- Any required medical items

### **Optional:**

Please accessorise as much as you like - it's meant to be a colourful event! Tutus, coloured wigs; head-bands; wrist-bands; colourful socks, etc are all very popular with colour runners. Runners often also wear bandanas around their mouth.

### **On the day:**

**The colour run starts at 1.45pm and will end at 3.15pm.** At this point children cannot go back into the school because they will be covered in colour and so need to go straight home. There are no after-school sports clubs on this date. All children will need to be collected from the field.

### **Does the colour powder stain?**

Heavily soiled areas of powder may stain clothing. Parents, please consider how you will get your child home that day so the colour doesn't rub off on your car. A change of clothes perhaps or towels on seats.

### **What happens if the powder goes in my eyes or mouth or on my skin?**

The colour powder is non-flammable and non-toxic. It is made with corn starch and natural dyes. As with any substance, you want to keep it out of your eyes and mouth as much as possible. This is why we ask that participants bring sunglasses or goggles to wear and a bandana to cover their mouth as runners pass through the colour station. Under normal colour run usage the powder does not cause a negative effect in humans.

In the unlikely circumstance that either you or your child experience any negative side effects please ensure you seek medical advice.

### **What if I don't want my child to take part in the event?**

This is entirely up to you. If this is the case, please ensure your child's class teacher is aware and return the slip completed indicating this.

