

## UPTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

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## THE UPTON CROSS-COUNTRY 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, this Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June your child is entered in the Upton Cross-Country here at Upton. We have almost 500 children from local schools taking part on what should be a fantastic day. <u>Parking for the event is in Charles Dickens School Car Park, not in Upton School or Edge End Rd</u>. There is an alleyway between the Upton and Charles Dickens Fields that leads to an entrance gate to the event.

Races are <u>approximately</u> 1km long. <u>All runners receive medals</u> regardless of where they finish and it's really about schools coming together to take part in sport and support the 'Save Upton Community Swimming Pool' appeal. Our fundraising total stands at £42 900, almost at the £50 000 we targeted to achieve by the summer without grant funding (which is pending). Well done to everyone who has been involved - an incredible (and exhausting!) amount to raise in less than 6 months!

Children should not forget their asthma inhalers or any other medication they may require. Adults or siblings should not run around the outside of the course with the children as this can be off-putting to other runners. All runners should be encouraged and supported, in the spirit of school events.

All runners are pre-registered. They do not need to do anything when they arrive other than run in their race when it is called.

While school staff will be on site to help with organisation of our children, all pupils need to be accompanied by a parent/carer who will be responsible for them on the day. Finishing positions are recording using race numbers and are published on the Upton School website once the event is finished. Your child's race number is attached to this letter.

As you know, we are currently raising funds for the 'Save Upton Community Swimming Pool' appeal, and so hot and cold refreshments will be on sale as well as a bouncy castle on site.

If you have an infant child who would like to take part in the fun infant's race (medals for all runners) that starts before the main races, please ensure they have their £2 entry money in their hand on the start line.

On the morning of Saturday 20th June races start at the following times:

9.00am - Fun infants race (~300m) for siblings of entered pupils (Pay £2 entry on the day only - medals for all)

9.20 - Year 3 Girls

9.40 - Year 3 Boys

10.00 - Year 4 Girls

10.20 - Year 4 Boys

10.40 - Year 5 Girls

11.00 - Year 5 boys

11.20 - Year 6 Girls 11.40 - Year 6 Boys No dogs are allowed on site. Upton Junior School is a no-smoking environment

Pupils can wear whatever clothes they wish to run in. Please support all runners with enthusiasm. If you have volunteered to help in some way on the day, you should have received a text with details sent on Thursday.

I look forward to seeing you on Saturday

Kind regards Mr Walker Assistant Headteacher