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Dear Parent/Guardian

Years 7 – 9 Sports Day, Year 10 Think Ahead Day and Year 12 Future Pathways Day 2019 – Friday 19 July

Sports Day is taking place at Palmer Park Stadium on Friday 19 July. Every year we use this venue as it provides the competitors with a top class track and field arena, which can only enhance their performance. This year track and field events have been organised for students in Years 7 to 9. All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 are expected to attend all day as spectators.

Students in **Year 10** will be taking part in Think Ahead Day which will involve expert speakers coming into school and delivering sessions to improve students' employability skills and to prepare students for the working world.

Year 12 students will be attending Future Pathways Day. This has a range of activities looking at options post sixth form and where they can find further information.

The school canteen will be open for Years 10 and 12 students as usual.

Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 should make their own way to the stadium, instead of coming to school. All spectators will be expected to be in full school uniform, or they can wear house colours.

The arrangements for the day, are as follows:

9:15am Competitors should arrive at the stadium.

9:30am Years 7, 8 and 9 register inside the stadium.

2:20pm Finish. Students make their own way home from the stadium.

We will use the medical information and emergency contact details that you have provided for us. Should there be any changes to these details, please can you notify the school in writing by Monday 9 July.

Competitors should arrive changed and ready for their event(s). There will be time for them to perform suitable warm up exercises. They should bring with them a packed lunch and plenty to drink, a tracksuit (or other suitable warm clothing) as well as wet weather clothing. We would also recommend sunscreen and a hat to wear as protection from the sun.

Spectators should bring a **packed lunch and pen** and be prepared for all weathers. Please be aware that the car park at Palmer Park Stadium can get very congested; therefore please allow plenty of time to exit the car park.

If Sports Day has to be cancelled due to a circumstance outside of the school's control, for example inclement weather, please check on the school website for updates. If Sports Day does have to be cancelled, students should report to school at the normal time with the appropriate books and equipment for a normal school day. They should, however, bring their packed lunch as the school canteen will be closed to them.

We hope that we will have an enjoyable day with excellent performances.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Gibson Headteacher

