



ELTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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16th June 2026

Sports Day Friday 19th June 2026

We are looking forward to our annual competitive sports day on Friday 19th June, followed by our Family Fun Fundraiser. We hope that you can join us to make this a day to remember.

What to wear/bring

Children should come to school dressed ready for sports day (usual rules about earrings and hair) but can substitute the school PE top/socks etc, for items of their team colour (Westminster is blue, York is red, Lincoln is green and Canterbury is yellow). If any new families are unsure of their child's team, please do not hesitate to ask. They do **not** need to bring their uniforms or book bags with them, but **must** have a water-bottle, a cap or sun-hat, and have shiny “sun-creamed” faces!

Parking

Blue badge holders may of course drive up School Lane and park at school (on the gravel where staff usually park not on School Lane verge). Everybody else should please park in The Black Horse overflow car park on Overend so we don't block the village and take up the spaces used by local businesses. You will be allowed on the school field to pitch your spot from 13:00 for a 13:30 start, not before! Please bring your own chairs/blankets/parasols/wind-breaks/patio furniture ☺ if needed.

Sports day will begin at 13:30 and will finish by the end of the normal school day at 15:30. It is our aim to ensure that every child competes in at least 2 events, but some children may compete in more, depending on year group/house team numbers.

During Sports Day

On arrival, remember to take a photograph of the race order (on the board at the entrance to the field) so that you can see when your child is competing. If there is a slot where you have 10-15 minutes free to help out, please report to FoES members on arrival. The more volunteers we have, the nicer the afternoon is for everyone - it means that people are freed up to watch their own child compete in races. It wouldn't be fair if the people who have done all the work organising the afternoon are the ones who end up missing out!

We would politely request that during the afternoon, spectators keep themselves separate from the children whilst they are seated with their teams. Children will be well-looked after by all the staff. We will keep children in the shade and ensure they have plenty to drink through the afternoon.

Children will be seated at the start line – we ask that you please sit along both sides of the running track and ensure that any younger siblings are kept away from the coned-off zone. Please keep well back from the finishing line so that the children have room to put on their brakes ☺.

At the end of the children's races, we will organise a race for pre-schoolers and are hoping to run three events for parents (time permitting): an egg and spoon race, a sprint race and a parent “House Team” tug of war. If you are going to take part, please make sure that you are wearing appropriate footwear and are mindful that the field surface is not of Olympic standard ☺.

Whilst watching the races, refreshments will be available and there will be both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks on sale. The BBQ will be open from 13:30.

After Sports Day

After the events and presentations, we will ask all the children to sit in their class lines whilst we prepare the post-sports day activities. You will be invited to come to the class line and collect your child. **This means that you are then responsible for their well-being and safety at the end of the school day and for the rest of the afternoon during the family fun activities – including on the inflatables.** If you are unable to attend and would like your child to be “adopted” by a family friend who will act as the responsible adult on your behalf, please let us know as soon as possible. If you would like them to have some money to spend, please ensure that it is in a named envelope/wallet/purse, and that this is given to their class teacher when they arrive in the morning.

After Sports Day has ended, the Family Fun will begin. In addition to refreshments there will also be a selection of both FoES and child-run stalls along with inflatables, garden games, raffle, nearly new uniform etc. Please note that although the bar and BBQ can take card payments, the stalls are cash only. In addition, this year, FoES will be operating a ‘wristband’ system where many of the activities will be free of charge to wristband holders. These will be on sale for £5 and will include unlimited goes on the inflatables and many of the FoES led activities. Wristbands can be ordered online via <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofeltonschool/> by **8pm on Thursday 18th June** or can be purchased on the day.

If you are staying to the end of the afternoon (approx. 17:00) we would really appreciate help in clearing everything away and carrying tables, chairs etc back to their correct place/classroom in school.

We’re really looking forward to our Sports Day and hope as many of you as possible can join us – remember to invite extended family members too! If you have any questions then as always, please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Claire Arnold
Head teacher

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