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Dear Parents/Carers

Mini Marathon - Saturday 19th May

We are looking forward to the Mini Marathon (alongside all the other events that day!). Please make sure on arrival that all children report to either Miss Priestley or Mrs Hillier. Children should wear their printed numbers on the FRONT of their t-shirts so that they can be easily read by the race officials.

The organisers have sent us some information that you need to be aware of to ensure the event runs smoothly.

Parking

☐ There is plenty of car parking available at £2.00 per car at the Laverstock and Ford Social Club.
□ There is limited parking at Enovation – cars parked at the owner's risk.
$\hfill \square$ Parking at the secondary schools is very limited due to Salisbury Area Young Musicians (SAYM) also using their car parks. The areas marked for SAYM must be respected.
□ Avoid parking at the One Stop, along Church Road or in Elm Close. Be aware that cars parked at any of the schools, Enovation or the Social Club are parked entirely at the owner's risk.
<u>Course</u>
Once again, the course is likely to be rutted in many places. It is therefore vital that all those taking part have prepared properly and that they wear sturdy trainers on the day. Please advise your participants to take extreme care when running on the course.
All Parents and Spectators
□ NO PARENT SHOULD BE RUNNING ALONGSIDE THEIR CHILD AT ANY POINT ON THE COURSE (INCLUDING THE HOME STRAIGHT) UNLESS THIS HAS BEEN AGREED IN ADVANCE WITH THE COMMITTEE.
□ All runners and spectators must access the field/race area via St Andrew's Primary School grounds. They should not enter via the secondary schools' buildings. Pupils and parents should also be advised that use of the secondary schools' grounds is at their own risk.
□ Parents should not cross the track to accompany their children to the start of the race. They get in the way of the runners, and they slow the start of the race.
$\ \square$ All parents should watch the race from the spectators' area – behind the orange fencing on the school field. Please do not stand at any other point on the course.
□ Parents should not push over the orange fencing – it uses manpower to move them back, obscures the view of others (encouraging them to move forward too) and can be dangerous for the runners and

spectators. We have to replace metres of the fencing every year. It would be helpful if staff from

schools could also be responsible for monitoring their parents at the barriers.

\Box Those children/parents who are not in the programme, because of late entry or as additional runners should go to the recording tent before the start of their race to receive a number and pay their fee. Late entrants are £6.00 this year.
□ No child (or parent) should enter St Edmund's School at any time. There are portaloos on the school field.

Kind regards

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