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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been invited to participate in the 2k Cross Country race at Farnham Park on **Saturday 17th May 2025**. This is open to all children in Years 3-6. If your child is interested in taking part, please complete the following permission slip by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May: <https://forms.office.com/e/LXPW45xb6C>

All children are welcome, regardless of whether they will attend running club this year. However, whilst this is a fun event, it is not an easy run as conditions tend to be boggy with inclines and the children will need to be really confident in their running ability and overall fitness to manage the 2K distance.

Hale staff will meet the children at the Bear Lane entrance of Farnham Park (GU9 7LF) at 9.30am and will remain with them during the race. Your child is your responsibility before and after the race and parents are respectfully asked not to run the course with their child or block the course. **The girls' race will begin promptly at 10:00am and the boys' race starts at 10:20am.** Both races cover a distance of 2km and the event will end at approximately 11:00am to be followed by the presentation. We need all parents to stay and watch the race and collect their children promptly, from the enclosure, when the race is finished please. The children will need to wear school PE kit under their tracksuits along with suitable footwear – trainers or running shoes (no running spikes or football boots). Conditions can often be very wet and muddy, so you may want to bring some clean clothes for your child to change into at the end of the race. Any appropriate medicines should also be brought along and are the responsibility of the parent. Please ensure that your child arrives in good time as this is a popular event and it will be very busy.

Parking (see attached map)

Please ensure you park in one of the town car parks and walk into the park from there. There is **strictly no parking** and please do not drop children off, at the cricket club, golf club or in the Folly Hill small car park north of the park. Parents must not block residents' roads or drives. Unfortunately, this has happened in the past and we will not be granted a licence for the next academic year if this happens again. The golf club café, Birdies, will be open for refreshments.

If you intend to take photographs, please be reminded that photos and videos of other children must not be placed on the internet and are for personal use only. Please be aware that the press may be taking photos on the day so please indicate below to give your permission for this.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Shaw



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