



TGA SPORT



SPORTS AFTERNOONS FOR P6 & P7 PUPILS – SUMMER TERM 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for all your support this term across the sports programme. It has been a very busy term with a huge number of pupils participating in a range of sports throughout the term. Their endeavour has led to performances to be proud of and some great results; moreover, it has been a pleasure to see the enjoyment and satisfaction pupils get in return for their hard work.

This summer's prep programme will follow a slightly different format from previous years due to the very limited number for sport sessions due to various reasons. Pupils will still experience all three summer sports of athletics, tennis & cricket. To achieve this, pupils will rotate between Cricket and Tennis during their sport afternoons and will do Athletics through their PE programme and sports heats day.

Please see attached a detailed week by week breakdown of all prep sporting activities during the summer term. This will also be posted on the school website under sport for your reference.

I hope this will make it easier for you to follow and understand where you need to collect your child from on each sports afternoon.

There is NO requirement for you to sign your child up to any one activity for this year's summer sports.

Sports venues (starting Friday 19th April)

Tennis will take place at Top Windyedge (G13 1XW) and all pupils are encouraged to have their own tennis racquet.

Cricket will take place at the Academical Club, Helensburgh Drive (G13 1RR)

Athletics will take place at the School Ground on Anniesland Road (G13 1XS).

Please note that all pupils will line up in the terrace at the main school and will then be taken out to the various venues by staff and coaches at 1.45pm. Sports sessions will finish at 4.00pm and all pupils should be collected from their venue by **4.15pm** at the latest. If your child normally goes home via any of the parent organised buses, the staff will ensure that these pupils are out on time to catch these buses. Likewise, if your child is coming back to school for our After-School care facility, they will be brought back to school by bus by one of the after-school care staff. Otherwise, please could you collect your child at the appointed time above otherwise they will go to School Ground for late waiting where they can sit inside until 4.45pm, however, this is only under exceptional circumstances.

Athletics Championship

This year the individual boys and girls Athletics Championship for P6 & P7 will take place during a sports heat's day. Pupils will be taken out to School Ground on Wednesday 24th April. Each pupil will participate in a number of athletic disciplines and the pupil with the most points from all the disciplines will be the year group



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Athletics Champion for 2024. This is NOT their sports day, just an additional sport session to complete their athletic championship. No parents will be expected on this day.

Tennis Championship

The Tennis Championships will be run by Mr Mayes and will follow a knock-out format, with the number of rounds and deadlines for matches to be played, dependant on the number of entrants for each competition.

The following rules will apply:

P6 & P7 Boys and Girls: First to 21 points. Must win by two clear points. Matches should be played with green dot (lower bounce) balls.

Arrangements

Pupils will be given opportunities to play their fixtures at any of The Academy's tennis facilities, however, if they would prefer to arrange to play their matches at their own tennis clubs, then they are welcome to do so. Academy tennis courts can be used after school each day and on Saturday mornings. Pupils must complete their matches by the deadline for each round to be able to progress in the Championship. Finals day will take place on Saturday 8th June. Mr Mayes will liaise directly with the pupils regarding all details around the championship.

TGA Tennis Courts Available

TGA Kelvinbridge – 3 x Astroturf courts

Top Windyedge – 3 x Hardcourts

Top Windyedge – 6 x Astroturf courts & Lower Windyedge – 12 x Astroturf courts

Entry

Pupils will receive a message on their Year Group Teams page with a link for completing a Microsoft form to enter this year's Tennis championships. The deadline for entries will be highlighted on the entry form. Once all entries have been received, the first-round fixtures and match deadlines for each draw of the championship will be published on the Tennis notice board in the PE corridor.

Saturday Mornings

There will be sports fixtures across all three sports throughout the summer term. Details and arrangements for these will be provided by the lead staff of each sport to those pupils selected to represent the school. It seems appropriate at this point to reiterate the Rectors message, that the expectation is that pupils will be available for selection throughout the summer term, unless you have requested absence from the rector at least ONE week in advance.

We will also offer a Saturday morning open sport session for any child that has not been selected for an inter-school fixture. These sessions are completely voluntary, and the activity/s will be decided on the day with the pupils and staff. Pupils do not need to sign up for any of these sessions, just turn up on the morning at the relevant venue.



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Tennis training at Lower Windyedge from 9.00am-10.00am.
Multi Sports at Top Windyedge from 9.00am-10.00am.

After-School Sessions

There will be no after-school training sessions.

Sports Kit

Athletics

All pupils require school PE kit, trainers, plus a full school tracksuit. Spiked shoes may be worn for athletics but are not essential.

Tennis

We encourage all players to have their own tennis racquet but appreciate that some pupils will only require a racquet for a few sessions, so the school will have a limited supply of racquets which pupils can borrow for a sports afternoon. All pupils wishing to represent the school should have their own racquet. Girls should wear hockey skort or PE shorts, PE Top, white socks and trainers. Boys will wear their PE kit, and all should have a full school tracksuit.

Cricket

All pupils will wear PE kit and full school tracksuit for sports sessions, girls may wear their navy hockey skort or PE shorts. For Saturday cricket matches, pupils will wear their school PE kit. The boys will require a cricket box for protection.

Changes to Sports Arrangements

If midweek arrangements change due to the weather or any other circumstance, an email or text message will be sent out from the school administration office at the earliest possible opportunity to alert you to any changes to the normal sports arrangements.

Saturday sport arrangements will all be updated on SOCS.

Should you require any further information regarding sports activities, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs R Toft
Director of Sport