

# Mendip Junior Schools Cross Country League 2011/12

Dear Colleague,

Please find enclosed information about this year's Mendip Junior Cross Country League.

The league continues to be supported by Wyke Farms and Mendip Athletics Club, who are passionate about providing Cross Country and Athletics to our juniors. The club is actively recruiting for the winter season, for cross country, sportshall athletics and its popular Athletics Academy. I will be sending further details to all schools who enter the league.

The first fixture will be at Wells Rugby Club as last year. Please can you request to all your parents not to park at either the rugby club or in the Leisure Centre car parks unless they have a car full of runners. I will be requesting the parking marshals to turn away parents who turn up with empty cars! I will also need a number of marshals to assist with this first event so I may be in contact with the schools in the vicinity to elicit some help.

Please confirm your intention to participate in this year's league by filling in the enclosed Team Declaration Sheet and sending it, **together with your payment**, to arrive no later than Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September. If you are able to send your team declaration electronically a pro-former will be posted onto the league web-site at [www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk](http://www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk).

Unfortunately, as some schools continue to fail to make prompt payments, I am stipulating that **ONLY SCHOOLS WHO ARE FULLY PAID UP PRIOR TO THE FIRST EVENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE**. This should not have any impact on the majority of schools to have always been very good in this regard.

Race numbers will be provided, but note that **pins will not be provided**. Please also note the following:

- Please destroy any old numbers that you have.
- Numbers must be worn only by the children named on your declaration – no substitutions will be allowed.
- Children must keep the same number throughout the league. You may find it helpful to write each child's name on the front of their number and allocate a helper to collect numbers (and pins!) after each race.
- Only the first 10 children registered may score for your team. If you have any extras they may be allowed to run as non-scoring runners if numbers allow. You **must** inform the organisers beforehand. Extra numbers will be provided for these runners. A small charge of £1 per extra number will be made.
- Lost numbers – see the results manager. Please do not make your own – They are coded to ensure every child competes in the appropriate race and also carry our sponsors logo.
- Race numbers must be pinned to the **front** of the children's T-shirts. They should be fixed at each corner so that they are always visible. Please note that they are **weather** and **tear-proof** so that they should last the whole season.
- School colours should be worn (no club vests please) – spiked shoes are allowed but not essential.
- At the end of the season we will be taking part in an inter-area match against Taunton, Minehead, Sedgemoor, Langport and Yeovil. It is also hoped that Wincanton will provide a team this year. As last year there will be races for both the Lower school and Upper school.
- Results will be posted on the league website, at [www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk](http://www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk), generally within two days of each fixture and will (hopefully) appear in the following weeks Mid Somerset Journal.

May we wish you and your children every success in the League, and we look forward to seeing you all on October 5th. If you have any need to contact me, I can be reached at (01749) 675100 / 0798 5160526 during the evening or in an emergency please text my mobile and I will get back to you as quickly as I can.

Yours in sport,

Ian Humphreys, Mendip Junior Schools Cross Country League Organisers.

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- **First three to score from each team.**
- **Best four race positions out of 5 (individual and team) decide awards.**
- **Prizes/trophies to overall league winners.**
- **Trophies for best overall “Small School” and “Large School”.**
- **Four race categories:**
  - Lower school girls (years 3&4)
  - Lower school boys (years 3&4)
  - Upper school girls (years 5&6)
  - Upper school boys (years 5&6)
- **Cross Country Fixture Dates: (all fixtures start 4pm)**
  - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2011 - Wells Rugby Club
  - Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011 - Collett Park, Shepton Mallet
  - Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012 - Millfield Prep School, Glastonbury (Venue TBC)
  - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2012 - Oakhill
  - Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2012 - Tor Leisure, Glastonbury
  - Sunday 20<sup>st</sup> November 2011 - Inter-Area Match v Bristol & N Somerset, Clifton Down
  - Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012 - Inter-Area Match - Montacute, Yeovil
- **Other Fixture Dates:**
  - Sat/Sun 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> January 2012 - Somerset Sportshall Selection Trials, Crispin School
  - Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2012 - Regional Sportshall Festival, Bristol
  - Mon-Fri 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> June 2012 - STARTRACK Activity Week, Millfield Track, Street
  - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2012 - Mini-Olympics, Millfield Track, Street
  - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012 - Inter-Area Mini-Olympics, Millfield Track, Street

Please note that information about the Sportshall Cup will be distributed via the PLT network.

- **League web-site:** [www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk](http://www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk)

# TEAM DECLARATION FORM – 2011/12

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SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Supply Names In Full (Firstname, Surname) IN CAPITALS**

LOWER SCHOOL GIRLS (Yr 3 & 4) (maximum 10 children)			LOWER SCHOOL BOYS (Yr 3 & 4) (maximum 10 children)		
Office Use Only	Name of Participant (BLOCK CAPS)	Year Group	Office Use Only	Name of Participant (BLOCK CAPS)	Year Group

UPPER SCHOOL GIRLS (Yr 5 & 6) (maximum 10 children)			UPPER SCHOOL BOYS (Yr 5 & 6) (maximum 10 children)		
Office Use Only	Name of Participant (BLOCK CAPS)	Year Group	Office Use Only	Name of Participant (BLOCK CAPS)	Year Group

Please return via E-Mail by **MONDAY 3rd OCTOBER**, or via Post by **FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**. Entries not received by this date cannot be guaranteed entry into the competition.

**PLEASE NOTE: Entries NOT ACCOMPANIED by League Fees WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Return To: Ian Humphreys, 6 Nettle Combe View, South Horrington Village, Wells BA5 3QF or FAX: 01749 675100.  
Please copy sheet for additional runners. A £1 charge will be made for each additional runner.

An electronic version of this form will be available on the web at [www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk](http://www.MendipJuniorAthletics.org.uk) and may be submitted via e-mail to: [Ian.Humphreys@freeuk.com](mailto:Ian.Humphreys@freeuk.com).

# REGISTRATION FORM

## Mendip Junior Schools Cross Country League

Please accept our entry for the Mendip Junior Schools Cross Country League 2011/12:

UK: Athletics Permit Applied For

**SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**No on ROLL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**POST CODE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL TEL NO:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FAX NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Photography Policy

*Photographs may be taken by a league appointed photographer at all Mendip Junior Athletic events. Such photographs remain the property of the league organisers and may be used for publicity or promotional purposes, both in the local press and on the league web-site. No child will be identified by name without the organisers seeking prior permission from those concerned. All parents/carers who would wish images of their child not to be used must notify the organisers in writing in advance. A video camera may be used to make an official record the finish of the races.*

*While it is not possible to prevent the general public from taking photographs at such events all photographers should be registered with the organisers prior to the start of each meeting. Unregistered photographers should be requested to refrain from taking photographs. Official photos will be made available for sale for a small fee via the league web-site. All such photographs will be supplied to the appropriate school for collection by the parent/carer.*

### Data Protection Policy

*School contact details and names of Children will be held on a computer system for the purposes of the preparation of results and to allow further correspondence with the school.*

**DECLARATION:** I declare that all athletes entered are amateurs as defined by the UKA rules and that I will abide by the laws and rules of the League. I understand that the League Organisers and any club, person or body involved in the organisation of the events will not be held liable for any injury, illness or loss, however occasioned, resulting from the events and no child will participate unless fit to do so. I have read and agree to the League's Photography Policy and Data Protection Policy. I accept the decision of the league organisers in any matters relating to the league and events as final. I enclose a cheque for £25, plus £1 per additional runner, payable to **MENDIP ATHLETICS CLUB**.

**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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