

Dear Parent / Guardian

We are delighted to confirm that we have entered our Year 5 pupils into the **Brownlee Foundation Mini Triathlon Event** on **Wednesday 12th June**. This will take place during the school day and children will be having lunch before leaving. We will be traveling by coach and we will return to school for 3.30pm.

Please see below for further information about the event:

The order of the event will be swim, bike, run. Following the briefing, children will go to the changing rooms. NB This changing will be a mixture of separate boys and girls changing and individual cubicles. Children will need sports gear including **trainers, swimwear, a towel and a change of clothes. Please ensure that children come to school in their swimwear and sports gear.** Individual baskets will be provided for their clothing.

Swim

Confident swimmers will swim in a U-shape around 3 sides of the pool including across the deep end. Less confident swimmers will be able to remain in the shallow end of the pool to swim/jump/walk across one width of the pool and floats will be available. Children can wear goggles for swimming. Confident swimmers will swim the full distance and less confident swimmers will swim one width of the shallow end and wristbands will be provided at check-in to the less confident swimmers. The lead member of staff will also be asked to stand at the point of entry to the pool with a member of our team to advise which distance each child will swim. Please inform us regarding which distance your child is confident to swim.

Transition

Once the children have finished their swim, they will locate their basket on poolside and put on the t-shirt they have been given following the briefing, their bottoms and socks and trainers over the top of their wet swimwear. They do not go back into the changing rooms but head straight out to the bike area.

Bike

Children will cycle approximately 800m on grass. Bikes and helmets will be provided so do not bring any cycling equipment with you. Scooters are available should children be unable to ride a bike.

Run

Following the bike, children will run approximately 300m to the finish line. Children will receive their medal and goody bag as they cross the finish line.

Due to the nature of the event, spectators will not be permitted. Only adults specifically supervising the children in line with our school's policy will be allowed on site.

The Brownlee Foundation welcomes the taking of photographs and videos at this event for promotional purposes, including for use on social media and local/national press.

Please confirm that you have read the information below about photography at this event and are happy for your child's picture to be taken during the event, by the Brownlee Foundation and official photographers registered with them.

Photography at this event

The Brownlee Foundation are committed to ensuring the welfare and safety of all children at our events. The Brownlee Foundation will follow the guidance for the use of images of young people as detailed in the Safeguarding Policy that we follow and will take steps to ensure images are used solely for the purposes they are intended, which is for the promotion and celebration of our activities.

Children who are not allowed to be photographed will be issued with wristbands to identify them to Brownlee Foundation staff, volunteers and official photographers taking pictures or videos at the event.

However please note, there will be signage around the event that will be used to request attendees do not take photos of children wearing wristbands, but due to the nature of the event this cannot be actively enforced so if this causes significant concern, you may wish to consider the child's attendance at the event.

If you have any concerns about photography at this event or become aware that images are being used inappropriately you should inform your school Safeguarding Officer or the Brownlee Foundation immediately.

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I _____ (parent/guardian full name)

Do / do not consent to photographic or recorded images being taken of my child:

_____ (name of child) at the **Brownlee Foundation
Mini Triathlon Event on Wednesday 12th June 2024.**

Please circle which distance your child will be swimming and how they will be riding based on their confidence levels.

My child will swim **the full distance / one width of the shallow end.**

My child will **ride a bike / scooter.**

Signed _____

Date _____