The following information should provide families with the details needed for the day. Please speak to Ann if you have further questions.

Could all parents please note that the children do not come to school at all on this day. We ask that all parents have their children at the track by 9:00 am and that the children assemble in our school area upon arrival. We need to mark attendance rolls as early as possible.

The program for the day is the same as last year. In the morning all children will compete in a five-event pentathlon. The events for both the Junior and Senior Pentathlon are sprint, shot put, discus, high jump and long jump.

The children will compete in age groups determined by the age they turn this year. At each event the children will get a score of 1, 2 or 3 depending on how they perform against previously set standards. The pentathlon event will be finished prior to lunchtime, at which time each child's score will be totalled and a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place ribbon will be awarded as determined by the score achieved by the child. These ribbons are given to the children back at school the next day. Championship ribbons will be awarded to the girl and boy from each age group who score the highest number of points in the pentathlon.

After lunch there will be one end-to-end mixed relay event for each age group. The participants in this event will be the four fastest children in each age group as determined in trials at school.

All the children will then compete in tunnel ball and sack races. There will be 10 competitors in each team and the teams will consist of children of mixed ages. Please note that no place ribbons will be awarded for these events or the relays.

COST

We are asking that $2.00 be paid by for child to help cover the cost of track and equipment hire. Please send this money along with the permission form (which was sent home today) by Tuesday 11th March.

WHAT TO BRING

All the children need to wear their yellow school uniform shirt, windcheater and school hat. Most of the kids also prefer to wear their school uniform shorts when competing, but some may have more comfortable athletic shorts or ‘skort’ to wear. All children will need to wear comfortable runners.

The children will also need extra clothing to suit the expected weather conditions on the day. Coats are a good idea, as experience has taught us that the track is very exposed and often it is much cooler there, than it was forecast to be.

The children will also need a substantial lunch, snacks, water and sunscreen. Camp chairs and picnic blankets are also a very good idea.

Please note that the Willow Grove Lions Club is running a BBQ on the day.

BAD WEATHER

In most circumstances the Sports will go ahead. However, in the event of a lot of rain over night or if very wet weather is expected on the day, the Sports may be postponed. Such a decision will be made early Friday morning and an announcement will be made on Star FM between 7.45 and 8.15.
INDOOR RECREATION CENTRE KIOSK
Please note that no student will be allowed to leave the Athletics Arena to go to the Rec Centre Kiosk to buy food, drink or lollies etc. All children are expected to bring all food, drink, etc for the day with them.

- Parents may wish to buy food for their children from the kiosk, but we ask that the kiosk be out of bounds for all children and that they do not leave the arena. In the interest of knowing where all the children are at all times no exceptions to this rule will be made.

When not competing, all students should be in the school designated area.

PARENT HELPERS
To make the day possible we will need parent helpers to assist with the running of junior and senior high jump events, senior shot put and to supervise age groups as they move around events. Could you please complete the form that is below and return it to school next week, if you can assist.
Relevant information will be sent home to all volunteers prior to the Sports.

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PARENT HELPERS

Parent's Name: ________________
Please tick boxes below if you can assist. You might like to nominate the age group you would like to assist with during the Pentathlon.

☐ I can assist with Junior High Jump events:

☐ I can assist with Senior High Jump events:

☐ I can assist with Senior Shot Put events:

I can supervise an age group in the Pentathlon.

5/6yrs ___ 7yrs ___ 8yrs ___ 9yrs ___ 10yrs ___ 11yrs ___ 12+yrs ___.