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Dear Parents and Carers

## Virtual Sports Week

This year, despite current circumstances, The Winchcombe team have been putting thought into the possibility of hosting a sports day equivalent for all of us to enjoy. We couldn't let a global pandemic get in the way of such an exhilarating event, therefore we've been looking into the idea of hosting a Virtual Sports Week, with all children from FS1 to Year 6 getting involved to take part, compete, and earn points for their School House – Pegasus, Griffin, Phoenix or Salamander.

The Virtual Sports Week shall commence on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July**, with a series of 12 events becoming accessible for children to see and take part in through DB Primary. Please encourage your children to do their best and have plenty of practice before recording their scores. We urge you to offer words of advice, encouragement, and support as we would really like all of our children to enjoy Virtual Sports Week, alongside finding success throughout the activities. **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July** will be the final day to record your activity scores on DB Primary. Please be sure to witness your child's record attempts in order to promote fair play and accurate results.

Points will work as follows; there will be a bronze, silver and gold award system for each activity, with bronze awards earning 5 points, silver 10 and gold 15. EVERY pupil that participates in the Virtual Sports Week will earn themselves an electronic certificate, with the top individual point earners from each year receiving a personalised certificate, as a Winchcombe Sports Star.

As much as we hope to have all of our children enjoying and taking part in Virtual Sports Week, we couldn't let them have all of the fun. Teachers will also be taking part in events, with videos to be found on DB Primary once Virtual Sports Week has started. Hopefully this will give our children encouragement to take part; a target for some to beat the teachers, as well as offering a video model for the children to follow, should they not understand the activity. Teachers will not be included in the points for school houses.

In order to submit children's activity scores, you will need to go to log into DB Primary using your child's account details. Just like all the other tasks set by teachers, the virtual sports week score submission's will be accessible in the 'Things to Do' tab. Each activity can be found there, with 3 options covering your child's result. **Should**



**you not have access to internet/online services**, you will be able to pick up a record sheet from the school office alongside information about Virtual Sports Week and the 12 activities. The record sheet will have a 'score' and 'signature' section, meaning scores can be validated by a parent or guardian. Once completed, bring the record sheet back to the school office and we will manually include your scores into the total results.

Whilst we would encourage as many children as possible to take part, we understand the on-going challenges for many families during these difficult times. Virtual Sports Week is purely designed for enjoyment purposes and to fill any free time that you might have. It is not compulsory to take part - we appreciate all of the hard work going on outside of school and don't wish to add any unnecessary pressure for anyone.

We look forward to hopefully seeing loads of you involved, staying active and challenged throughout this week in particular, as we strive towards excelling in sporting activity as a school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Davis

