

## Risk Assessment ~ Ben Rhydding Primary Schools' Cross-Country

Event	Ben Rhydding Primary Schools Cross Country
Date of Event	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> January

Hazard Details	Level of Risk	Existing Controls	Further Action
Pupils getting injured as they are running.	Medium	First Aiders are present at the event. Marshals are positioned all around the course. Any pupil with an injury will report to a marshal.	None
Pupils with medical conditions having difficulty on the course.	Medium	Pupils are reminded at the start of the race to have inhalers with them if required. Marshals are positioned all around the course.	None
Pupils with low levels of fitness getting into difficulty on the course.	Medium	Pupils only run a safe distance for their age. If pupils are in extreme discomfort, marshals will remove them from the race.	None
Surface is too icy or too wet and pupils fall, slip and injure themselves.	Medium	Richard Fletcher assess the course in advance to check safety. Schools are routinely advised to encourage pupils to bring appropriate footwear for muddy, slippery conditions. Safety announcements always made to pupils at the start of each race.	A check will be made on the morning itself to see if ground conditions are unsafe and if this is the case then the event will be cancelled. Marshals warn the runners to be aware of excess moisture.
Collisions/conflict with surrounding objects.	Low	Course layout to avoid any collision hazards	None
Parents encroaching too close during the race or at the finish.	Low	Tape is placed all around the course to prevent spectators encroaching and announcements are made to this effect.	Marshals will prevent parents from encroaching too close at the finish.
Pupils going missing during the event.	Low	Children to be supervised by their own responsible adult when not racing. Any lost children to be taken to the result window. Pupils are told to report to team managers at the end of the race. Marshals are instructed to bring any pupils who pull out of the race to the finish area at the end of the race.	Announcement made by officials to locate carer, Child kept warm and safe. Police informed if necessary
Pupils accidentally bumping into each other during the race, especially at the start and at other bottlenecks.	Medium	Pupils are told to avoid contact with other runners and to ensure that they are careful at all times.	None
Unwanted items on the course – dog faces, glass, branches etc.	Low	School field has notices stating 'No Dogs',	Marshals will walk the course beforehand removing any debris.