

# WIGMORE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

## RE: Photographs

Thank you to the parents who either personally or by email contributed to our meeting last week about photos taken at school.

It is clear that there is a wide range of opinions on this subject; however, following the meeting, we feel that we have found a compromise for future events.

We have decided the following:

- 1) Photos may be taken at sports day (any future outdoor events) of **your own child**.
- 2) Please try to ensure that you do not capture other children in the photo unless given permission by their parents (i.e. your friends/relatives/acquaintances).
- 3) We have no issue with parents uploading photos taken of their **own child** on school premises to the internet. If any other children have been captured on camera (i.e. children of friends), then you must seek the permission of their parents to upload these images.
- 4) Photos uploaded to the internet of other children on school premises without the consent of their parents is strictly forbidden.
- 5) Photos should be taken from where the parent is sat (to avoid a "parent scrum" at the finishing line!).
- 6) Parents are responsible for all relatives and/or friends that they invite and for ensuring they follow this advice.
- 7) Any parents or relatives/friends of parents who do not follow this advice will be asked to remove the photo from the internet and the parent **and** their relatives/friends will be banned from taking photos on school premises in the future.

We have moved considerably from our current position of no photos at all. The group we consulted felt that we need to see how this policy works before we consider how to handle filming of events. As a result, **filming is still not allowed on school premises**.

It was also felt that during indoor performances at school, we retain our current policy of not allowing photos until after the event to ensure the children or other parents are not distracted by mobile phones waving in the air. We will also look, in future, into filming performances ourselves so the school is in control of who and what is filmed.

I am aware that we can't adhere to everyone's preferred option; however, I hope you consider the above advice is a fair compromise. We look forward to enjoying sports day on Friday morning.

Yours sincerely

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