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Dear Parents/Carers,

**Re: Cancellation of Sports Day**

As per our earlier text, unfortunately I am taking the decision to cancel Sports Day tomorrow. Rather than just send a text, I wanted to write to explain my rationale behind this.

I have been keeping an eye on the forecasts all week and it has been ever changing. I have looked at three different forecasts today alone and they all read differently; most are saying that there will be rain with thunder and lightning in the afternoon, but it is less clear about the morning with some forecasting no rain and others an 80% chance of rain. Furthermore, there is the potential of rain overnight, which will mean the field will be too wet in the morning.

With this in mind, I am sure that you will appreciate it is not clear cut and therefore a difficult decision to make. I would prefer to make the decision to cancel now, rather than wait until the morning and risk it. I am sorry to have to make this decision.

As stated in the letter last week, we will not be able to rearrange this event as we will be back to a strict curriculum timetable as of Friday. However, those who have had children at Woodthorne for several years, may remember we used to invite parents in for other events prior to COVID. We are working towards setting events up again this year, where you will have the opportunity to see your child learning in school. More information will be available later in the term.

Once again, I apologise for having to take this action, but I do so with the children's (and parents) safety in mind.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Hinkley  
Headteacher