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To: all Parents/Carers

Dear Parent/Carer

RAGFest 2024 – Colour Run – Thursday 16 May 2024



The Sixth Form recent Rag Week was very successful, to date raising over £3500 for <u>St Martins</u>, thanks to the generosity of staff, students and their friends and families. As you may already be aware, St Martins is a local charity which has supported people in Norwich and Norfolk for over 50 years, helping homeless people, and those at risk, by offering them a hand

up. They nurture their self esteem and trust in other people whilst empowering them to make positive choices. To some, St Martins is a lifelong solution. To others, it is a stepping stone to rebuilding their lives. St Martins

As part of the Sixth Form RAGFest, there will be a Colour Run, held in partnership with Langley Prep School, taking place on Thursday 16 May 2024 at Langley Prep School, open to all students and their families.

The Main Race (THS students, friends and families) takes place at 5pm. If you/your child/other family members wish to take part, please complete the <u>Colour Run registration details form</u> for each participant. Payment to be made via WisePay at £6.00 for the basic pack, or £9.00 for the enhanced pack to include a plain white T-shirt. Closing date for entries is Monday 29 April 2024.

Please see below for information concerning the safety and cleaning of the colour powder being used.

We are looking forward to the event and hope that everyone has fun taking part! Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Linnell Head of Sixth Form

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James Wilson Fundraising & Events Committee Leader On behalf of the SIXTH FORM LEADERSHIP



Frequently asked Questions: Safety and cleaning

Is Ministry of Colours Holi colour powder safe?

In a word, yes. Our colour powder is non-toxic. It is the safest available on the UK market. We work closely with our factory to ensure the quality of our colour powder. It is created in a factory in India, the traditional way, using corn starch and natural dyes to ensure the safest product possible.

Does the colour powder stain clothing?

Like any other colour powder, Ministry of Colours colour powder can stain clothing. Please be aware of this when using the colour powder and wear clothing you don't mind having more colours on them after the event than before!

How do I fix the colour powder to my T-Shirt?

- 1. Do not shake off any excess colour powder on the T-shirt
- 2. Carefully remove the T-shirt (the more you move, the more powder will fall off)
- 3. Put the T-shirt in a bag to keep it safe until you can...
 - a. Lay your T-shirt flat and soak with white vinegar use spray bottle and generously spray the T-shirt (colours may bleed together as the fabric becomes wet)
 - b. Dry your T-shirt flat
 - c. Iron the T-shirt to set the colour
 - d. Put the T-shirt in the tumble dryer for about 10 minutes on high to further set the colours

Can I wash colour powder out of my hair?

Yes you can!

- Brush your hair to remove excess powder
- Rinse your hair with cool water
- Wash using a good quality shampoo
- Rinse and repeat if required
- Condition and follow your normal hair care steps
- Your hair should now be free of colour powder

You can also use a conditioner/oil before the event. Apply liberally to your hair and leave in for the event. This helps create a barrier between the colour powder and your hair. Alternatively, wear a hat, scarf or even a shower cap to protect your hair. We think the wackier the better!!

Does the colour powder wash off floors, buildings and plants?

Our colour powder washes away in the rain, and because it's made from corn starch and natural vegetable, cosmetic or food-grade dyes, it's safe for the environment and doesn't cause any risk to wildlife.

How is your Holi colour powder made?

Our colour powder is made the traditional way, just vegetable starch and natural vegetable, cosmetic or food-grade dyes. We have however gone that extra step to ensure our colour powder is safe and non-toxic.

Is colour powder safe for children to use?

Ministry of Colours colour powder is safe for everyone to use. However, we do recommend that younger children are not left alone to play with colour powder. Please read and download our full coloured powder product <u>Safety and Cleaning</u> <u>Datasheet</u> for further information.

If you are in any doubt about the safety or cleaning of Ministry of Colours colour powder then please call us on 0330 321 3996.