LONDON SCHOOLS SKI RACE

SATURDAY 21 JUNE 2025 (BOTH PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)

GOSLING SKI CENTRE, WELWYN

Race Pack

London Schools Ski Race is back. It is open to all schools in London and the surrounding area. Over the years, London Schools Ski Race has been the entry point for schools starting a ski team and we always welcome new schools. If you are interested in entering a team for the first time, please reach out to us using the details below, we are always happy to offer help and guidance.

Who can enter: Any school in the London and surrounding areas can enter. We do not require any previous competition experience, but must insist, for reasons of safety, that all competitors can use the lift and ski in control from the top of the slope. We reserve the right to refuse a racer for safety reasons. Team members must be from the same school.

Schedule: ALL RACING HELD ON A SINGLE DAY.

PRIMARY (Categories 0 &1):	**08:00 bib collection / 08:15 Open Practice**
SECONDARY (Categories 2, 3 & 4):	**11:45 bib collection / 12:00 Open Practice**

Single Slalom: Teams are of three or four racers. For a team of three racers, all three racers' times in both runs will be aggregated. For a team of four racers, the fastest three times in each run are aggregated to arrive at the team time for each run, and then the two run times are aggregated to give the overall time for the team.

As in previous years competition runs as three separate events: one for male teams, one for female teams, and a 'mixed' category designed to facilitate entry for schools new to ski racing with insufficient skiers to enter an all-male or all-female team.

We ask that in the interests of fairness, where schools can enter all-male or all-female teams in an age category they do so first. If you then wish to enter **ONE** additional team please ensure selection such that the mixed team is the least-experienced of your teams.

Individual Entries are also welcome at a reduced price of £20 per athlete. Please note that if 3 individuals from the same school enter independently, they will be considered as a team competing in the age group of the oldest racer.

Dual Slalom (Relay): Teams MUST be of four racers, any combination of male/female for both primary and senior categories. The dual slalom is a head-to-head knockout competition where two teams ski on parallel courses on the same hill at the same time. The start list drawn at random. At the end of each relay race the winning team goes through to the next round.

Prizes: **Single Slalom:** Individual medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, in each Category. Medals will be awarded to members of teams placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each Category. A trophy will be awarded to the best Primary School based on overall performance in Category 0 and Category 1. A trophy will be awarded to the best Senior School based on overall performance in Categories 2, 3 & 4. (In the event that either 'best' trophy is awarded to a school from outside of London, an additional trophy will be awarded to the highest ranked London school).

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Prizes: **Parallel Slalom:** Medals will be awarded to members of Teams placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd in the Primary Race and in similarly in the Secondary Race. Trophies will be awarded to the winners of each.

How to enter: Enter online at **https://schoolskiracing.co.uk/LSSR.html** by completing the entry form by **6 June 2025**. We will need final racer details by **13 June 2025**.

Payment: The race entry fee is £60 per team. Payment should be made by bank transfer to LSERSA, Lloyds, Sort code 30-96-26 Account number 1619 4560 with your school name as reference. Invoices are available on the race entry system.

Officials: The London Schools Ski Race is run entirely by volunteers. We ask each school to provide one volunteer official per team entered. No previous experience is necessary. We will provide briefing.

Rules: The race will be run under FIS rules modified by LSERSA, which are in summary:

The Single Slalom race will consist of 2 timed runs through a slalom course. Teams will consist of a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 4 skiers. On each run, the fastest 3 times will count toward the team score.

The Dual Slalom race will consist of two parallel slalom courses, with teams of four racers skiing in relay. Dual Slalom Teams can be any combination of male and female racers.

Competitors may be part of a team in an older age group, if this makes it easier to form a team.

All competitors will be allowed to inspect the course before the race. For reasons of safety and fairness, racers must not ski the course during inspection.

All competitors must be able to use the lift and ski in at least a controlled snowplough and perform linked turns from the top of the slope. The organisers reserve the right to refuse to allow racers to ski the course if they are not safe to do so.

All competitors must wear helmets, gloves, long sleeves and trousers. Helmets should be free of camera mounts.

Under SE safety rules, competitors must either use the slope's ski sticks, or ensure that their own ones have tip protectors (rubber bungs).

Age groups are Category 0 (Y2-4), Category 1 (Y5-6), Category 2 (Y7-8), Category 3 (Y9-10), Category 4 (Y11-13).

Teams can be of mixed ages but the oldest racer determines the year group for the team. Categories 0 & 1 will ski through a stubbies pole course and all older racers will ski through full poles.

Venue: Gosling Ski Centre, Stanborough Road, Welwyn Garden City, Herts AL8 6XE

Parking: There is ample Pay & Display parking available on site.

Catering: Catering will be available on the day. There will be a tea /coffee/soft drinks and cake stall, as well as a BBQ selling hot food. You are also welcome to bring a picnic if you prefer.

Equipment: Limited amounts of equipment are available from Gosling Ski Centre, cost of hire is included in competition entry. However, equipment must be requested via the race entry system by the closing date. Only pre-booked equipment will be available on the day.

If booking equipment, please arrive early to collect as there may be queues.

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Training:

Training is available by arrangement in the Summer term leading up to the race.

Chatham: Book through Andrew Atkinson ajatkinson123@gmail.com

Brentwood: Book through Steve Cis on 01277 211 994 or info@brentwoodskicentre.co.uk

Kandahar Racing: https://www.kandaharracing.com. Book through James Bennett team@kandaharracing.com

Dynamic Snowsports: http://dynamicsnowsports.co.uk. Book through Dan Curtis info@dynamicsnowsports.co.uk

Or contact your local club, which can be found here: https://lsersa.org/clubs/

Race Day Information:

Listen carefully to the speaker system for messages, or join our WhatsApp Group by scanning / clicking below:



https://chat.whatsapp.com/IphW63Nd3CiBtarUh1XZqW

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