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English Schools' Football Association

Dear Parent / Carer / Spectator,

## English Schools' FA Arnold Clark Cup Finals 2024

We are looking forward to hosting your son / daughter at the English Schools' FA Cup final, at Stoke City Football Club, in May.

All teams are encouraged to bring as many spectators to support the players at the event to help create a real sense of occasion. **Entry is free of charge and a ticket will not be needed to gain access into the stadium.** You are welcome to pass this information onto as many family and friends as you wish.

The address of the venue is:

Stoke City Football Club Stadium, Stanley Matthews' Way, Stoke-on-Trent ST4 4EG

Spectators will park in the West 2 Car Park and access the stadium via turnstiles located in the West Stand. There is no cost to park in the stadium car park.

If there are any specific accessibility requirements, then please contact competitions@schoolsfa.com.

There will be a refreshments kiosk available for spectators to purchase food and drinks. Souvenir programmes will be free of charge and will be given out on the day. Toilet facilities will be available at the stadium.

The match will be streamed live on the ESFA's YouTube channel, <u>ESFA TV</u>. Coverage will be free of charge and will remain online after the event has taken place, so players, team officials and spectators can enjoy watching the game back at a later date. Photographs of the day can also be purchased from the <u>ESFA Official Photographer</u> following the event. Spectators carrying long lens cameras will not be permitted access to the stadium.

Alongside the live streaming, we will be capturing photos and videos throughout the day for use across our social media channels. You can follow our accounts on Twitter, Instagram or Facebook by searching for @schoolsfootball.

**Safeguarding**: If you have any safeguarding concerns before, during or after the event, then you can report such matters to the English Schools' FA National Welfare Officer, Martin Duffield – martin.duffield@schoolsfa.com or phone 07852 276416.

Important: It is a criminal offence for spectators to enter the pitch "without lawful authority or lawful excuse" under the Football Offences Act 1991. Therefore, under no circumstances, should any supporters attempt to climb over the perimeter barrier to gain access to the field of play or trackside. Failure to comply will lead to the offender being ejected from the stadium and may lead to criminal charges being raised.

We look forward to welcoming you on the day!

Kind regards,

Event Team English Schools' Football Association



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