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## REQUEST FOR OCCASIONAL ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL TO PARTICIPATE IN KARTING EVENTS WITHIN THE BAMBINO / CADET / JUNIOR KART CHAMPIONSHIP – BKC/CKC/JKC 2024

The BKC / CKC / JKC is the fastest growing kart championship in the UK and host national competition for 6-16 year old racers. Karting is the stepping stone for most people's racing careers. Just participating in the series improves their skills immensely, not just in driving, but in tactics, preparation, maths, science, public speaking and general life skills. A number of successful Formula 1 drivers all started out in karting; Jenson Button, Lewis Hamilton, Paul Di Resta and Lando Norris to name just a few.

Having a strong interest and passion at such a young age can do nothing but good for a child's development, especially at this national level. Maybe even influence a future career in motorsports. This industry has a wide range of job roles; manufacturing, engineering, design, logistics, catering, fitness, media etc. Participation in our series can help nurture a strong interest in any of these fields.

The championship takes place over 9 weekends of the year. There are some practise days on the Friday before some rounds of the Series, which, although optional, many parents feel it disadvantages their child not to take part if they are unfamiliar with the track. Drivers may also be required take time off to travel to and from events as we are a national championship in some cases it can take drivers far from home.

As the series organisers, we stress that schooling comes first, and that any absence is properly authorised and agreed between school, parent and child. Which is why we have written this letter to give you an insight into what one of your students will be taking part in and why they are taking part.

More information on the series can be found here.

championship and we are excited about them taking part.

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Regards,

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