

British Schools Orienteering Championships 2021

On the weekend of the 20th/21st November the 2021 British Schools Orienteering Championships took place. On the Saturday some informal training took place on Campbell Park, Milton Keynes. This was followed by the main Championships at Stowe Park on the Sunday.

The weather was very kind to us and the venue, which is one of Capability Browns first landscape gardens, was awe inspiring.



School Tents with Temple in background

The assembly area for both the girls and boys starts, run in, finish, download, results and the prize giving was based around the Temple of Concord & Victory.

Girls Start



Boys Start

Out in the forest



Whole School Team Winners



Primary School



Preparatory School



Small Secondary School



Large Secondary School

A total of 357 children from across the country competed and many well-earned trophies and medals presented to the leading school teams and individual competitors. On behalf of BSOA and all that took part I would like to thank the O Foundation for their grant that funded the medals and prizes.

I would also like to thank Scott Parker & the National Trust for allowing us to use the area and their help; Stowe School for allowing us to use their car park; Dorien James the planner; Helen Errington & Mike Bennett the day organisers; volunteers from South Midlands Orienteering Club & Happy Herts who ran the event on the day; East Anglia OA, SMOC, HH and Octavian Droobers for loaning us equipment.

Thank you to all the schools that came and took part, we hope to see you at either the 2022 British Schools Score Championships in Derbyshire or the 2022 British Schools Orienteering Championships in Sheffield, or even both. Thank you to all the Orienteering Clubs across Britain that support these schools by putting on events for them during the year. May these partnerships continue.

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