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## **WRITING A NEWS REPORT**

**Task:** Write a news report based on the headline and picture below.

### **SANDILANDS PRIMARY - SPORTS DAY**



- You will have to **make up the facts and information** by answering some or all of the following questions:

**Who? What? Where? When? Why? How?**

- You must **relate your newspaper report to both the headline and the picture.**

**Purpose and Audience:** to report on an event for the readers of a newspaper:

**The Sandilands Sentinel**

**Length:** The lined space provided for your written work indicates the approximate length of the writing expected.

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This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal blue or green ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are approximately 20 lines visible. The paper has a slightly textured appearance and is set against a dark background.

### Guidelines for writing a newspaper report: -

Element	Definition	
Headline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Catches your attention</li> <li>• Sums up the story</li> </ul>	
Byline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writer's name</li> <li>• Writer's Specialty, e.g. sports, food, crime, current events</li> </ul>	
Placeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where the story begins</li> </ul>	
Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The opening section</li> <li>• Gives most important information</li> <li>• Should answer most of the 5W's</li> </ul>	
Body	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supplies detail</li> <li>• Most important details come first</li> </ul>	
Facts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simple true statements</li> </ul>	
Quotation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What someone actually said</li> <li>• Adds accuracy</li> <li>• Adds "at the scene" feeling</li> </ul>	