

Our Ref: Swim Y5

29th August 2024



Dear Parents & Carers,

On Monday 9th September 2024 swimming lessons will begin for the Year 5 classes Hawks and Ospreys. Each session will be for 1 hour and will continue until the week beginning 11th November 2024 (inclusive of this week). This is a total of 9 sessions, (there will be no swimming on Monday 21st October due to it being half term).

A voluntary contribution towards the cost of £59.22 is needed, this is to cover travel costs and insurance, as well as entry to the Queen Elizabeth II Leisure Centre and the hire of the swimming instructors. Swimming is a legal requirement within the National Curriculum and being able to swim is a life-saving skill. Therefore, the teaching of this subject is compulsory.

There are no refunds for lessons missed as the school has to pay in advance.

I am sure that you will appreciate that every child will be required to attend the lessons and bring the appropriate kit each week.

They will need to have:

- Towel
- Swimming trunks/costume (no long beach shorts or bikinis)
- Comb or brush

In line with our Swimming Policy, the Local Authority Policy governing all PE activities and the Health & Safety at Work Act 1974, the children are asked to remove all jewellery or adornments for cultural/religious reasons for their own safety and that of others. It is preferable that the jewellery is removed before school on PE/Swimming days, as the school cannot accept responsibility for any lost valuables.

Swimming goggles can be worn, however, a signed permission slip is required to be completed and returned to your child's class teacher prior to them wearing goggles, these are also available from the school reception or online.

In order to continue with our swimming programme, we need financial assistance from parents or the course will not be able to go ahead if there are not enough contributions received. I would be grateful if you could arrange a meeting with me or another member of the Senior Leadership Team to discuss how we can support and continue this activity in the future.

Yours sincerely

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