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(OFSTED 2025)

10th March 2026

Dear Parents

The National Curriculum requires primary schools to provide swimming provision for children, with the expectation that all children can swim 25m unaided by the time they leave primary school.

Your child, when they took part in swimming last year, did not complete that distance and we have decided to take those children on an intensive 2 week course **swimming every morning**.

These lessons will be funded by the PE grant provided by the government so will not involve any cost to parents/carers.

The dates are given below - please keep for future reference. You will have been notified via text which group your child is in.

Group 1

Every day starting Monday 20th April through to Friday 1st May

Group 2

Every day starting Monday 11th May through to Friday 22nd May. Not on our INSET Day with is Friday 15th May.

All children will need to attend the relevant sessions unless there is a medical reason for not doing so.

The children will need to come to school dressed in jogging bottoms as there is limited time for changing and tights/leggings are tricky to get back on after swimming!

The children will leave school at 10.45am and return at 12:45 in time to eat lunch.



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Goggles

If your child wishes to wear goggles the pool has no objection, but goggles need to be supplied from home.

Hair

Long hair needs to be tied back as per the school uniform. If children would like to wear swimming hats, which the leisure centre would encourage, then they may, but they need to be able to put these on themselves if possible.

Swimming costumes/trunks

Some boys wear long trunks which impair movement and so staff ask that trunks are not longer than knee length.

Girls are only to wear one piece swimming costumes as 2 piece costumes also cause problems with swimming aids rubbing.

Jewellery

No jewellery is allowed to be worn e.g. no earring, watches, necklaces.

The school and the swimming staff have your child's safety at the forefront of their thoughts, and I thank you for your support with following this guidance.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C. Kilbey