

Dear Parents

31 March 2022

SWIMMING

We are delighted to inform you that, all being well, we are able to offer swimming in our glorious pool from Monday 9 May 2022. The timetable is as follows:

Mondays	12.45 – 3pm	Reception
Tuesdays	12.45 – 3pm	Year 2
Wednesdays	12.45 – 3pm	Year 1
Thursdays	12.45 – 3pm	Year 2

Kit needed

1 towel

1 costume (1 piece for girls, fitted for boys, or a wet suit)

1 swimming hat (use your own - preferably cloth hats. Cloth hats on sale from the Office, £2.50)

1 swimming bag in which to put it all

Please **labe** all clothes including pants and vests clearly with your child's name – thank you.

Swimming will take place even when it is raining. The water is heated and we have heated changing rooms. The children swim in class groups. We have a swimming teacher and a lifeguard on duty at all times. If your child forgets their kit we will provide spares.

Parent Help

Swimming is such an important skill; we are incredibly lucky to have our own pool. We need you to help us provide a safe and secure environment in which the children can learn to be independent in the water. Obviously, our youngest children need the most help and so we ask for four parents to be in the pool with Reception children and two parents in each changing room. We require two parents in the pool for Year One and Year Two children and two parents in each changing room. If we do not have the correct amount of parents to help, we may have no option but to cancel swimming.

Unfortunately we are unable to facilitate any younger siblings.

A DBS check is essential for you to help. If you already have your DBS issued by our school then you can join the help rota.

<u>PLEASE DO NOT</u> put your name down on the rota until you have received your DBS clearance.



This year Laila Pacheco (mum of Albie in Dragonfly Class), has kindly offered to co-ordinate the swimming rota. The email address for all swimming rota communication is: swimrota2022@gmail.com

On **Monday 25th April** we would like to invite you in for our swimming meeting. This will be an opportunity for you to ask any questions. We will share any questions and answers after the meeting. This meeting will be held in the school hall at **9:00am** and all are welcome.

We are all greatly looking forward to swimming in our school pool. An enormous thank you must go to Mrs Curtis and the team who have spent a vast amount of time preparing the pool.

The swimming pool costs are considerable. They include the chemicals to keep the pool clean and the heating costs as well as the staffing. Please see the attached letter.

Many thanks to everyone who gives up their time to support us with the swimming. We could not offer this important life skill for the children without your help.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Janet Berry Headteacher