

21st October 2021

Dear Parents,

Extra swimming sessions – Year 5

As part of the national curriculum, children are required to learn to swim a distance of 25 metres, perform safe self-rescue in different water based situations and use a range of strokes effectively. In order to give every child the best chance of achieving this we are offering extra swimming lessons to children in Year 5, with no extra cost to yourselves. COVID prevented many of our Yr5 children from having the full opportunity to attend their swimming lessons.

All children in Year 5 will receive two weeks swimming next half term; during this time we will assess the children. If your child reaches the requirement of the National Curriculum they will not have any further swimming lessons, should your child not achieve them they will continue to swim after Christmas and into next year.

Swimming lessons for your child will take place on Friday 19th November and Friday 3rd December. As in Year 4, parents are expected to ensure that children are fully prepared for swimming each week to ensure they make the most of each session. To reduce time in the changing room, children must come into school wearing their swimming costumes under their school uniform and remember to bring underwear to change into. Children must also have their own towel. Swimming hats and goggles are optional.

Yours faithfully,

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