

Dear Parent/carers

10th September 2020

Y3 Swimming lessons

Swimming starts for the children in Y3 on **Thursday 17**th **September for 8 sessions as follows: 17**th **Sept, 24th, 1**st **October, 8**th,**15**th,**22**nd, **after half term 5**th **November and last session on 12**th **November.** Swimming is part of the National Curriculum for PE which says each child should be able to swim at least 25 metres by the end of Key Stage 2. All children take part in this activity and if a child is not fit enough to swim a note must be sent into school.

To assist with the cost of this offsite activity we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £4.00 per week (£32.00 in total). You can make these contributions either by cash, cheque or via Parentpay.

Health and Safety - Goggles The Gloucestershire Guidelines for Swimming Water Safety states goggles should not be worn for school swimming. This is due to health and safety issues. If you are still interested in your child wearing goggles please let the class teacher\office know and they will forward to you a copy of the relevant page of the Gloucestershire Guidelines for Swimming Water Safety Policy, at which point you can make a fully informed decision that you should then convey to the school.

Swimming Caps are not required, but long hair MUST be tied up.

Swimming Costumes – If a boy is wearing shorts rather than "trunks" then they must be above the knee (shorter if possible). Girls must wear swimming costumes not bikinis.

Children must be fit to swim. The GGFSWSP states that teachers have a duty of care and that children with cuts, skin or ear infections must not swim. We will be following this policy.

Earrings should be removed before swimming or covered with a plaster that is provided from home.

Please ensure your child has a named costume or trunks, towels and a water proof bag.

<u>Please provide a face covering for your child as face coverings are to be worn on the coach to and from</u> swimming.

Please return permission slip, as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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Childs Name..... Class.....

• A voluntary contribution of £4.00 per week is payable (£32 in total) - All payments to be made via Parentpay and can be paid £4 a week in instalments (please email the school office if you are unable to log onto parentpay to make payment).

Please tick which statement best suits your child.

My Child is a non-swimmer

My Child can swim 5metres 10metres 25metres 25metres+

If you child has the 25 metre (or more) badge, please email the school office a picture confirmation of your child's certificate.

Signed.....(Parent/Carer)



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