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Dear Parents/ and Carers



Swimming Summer Term 2019

As you are aware all of us work hard to maintain our school swimming pool. We consider it a privilege to have such a wonderful pool especially as it saves us an enormous amount of time and money transporting the children to a local swimming pool. We constantly maintain our pool to a high standard to ensure it works efficiently and this year we have retiled areas of the pool. We are very pleased that we are able to employ fully qualified swimming instructors and this year, we will again use our Sports Funding to offset some of the salary and training costs so that we were able to keep costs to a minimum. Unfortunately we are not able to cover the entire costs with this grant.

The running costs of the swimming pool still have to be found as well as the purchase of the chemicals and the cost of the heating and the water. Unfortunately, we **do not** receive any additional Government money to support these costs. We are reliant on parental contributions and your appreciation of the fantastic benefit it is to be taught to swim during school time. We have worked very hard trying to source the best deals to keep these costs to the absolute minimum and I am pleased to say that we are able to keep the cost very low compared to other costs for swimming lessons at just £23.00 for all the summer swimming season. This will be from the early May until the end of the school year in July.

We aim to buy the chemicals in bulk, thus gaining a discount and reducing admin and delivery costs. In order for us to place our order in this way we would need to request contributions by **Monday 1st April**. We are however aware that this may be a difficult amount to find for some families and this is why we are writing to you now. A suggestion is that it may be easier for you to send money into school by instalments by the due date (Monday 1st April). Please contact the school office to discuss this and indicate it on the slip below. We will then arrange for a payment card for you so that contributions can be recorded. **Please ensure that they are in an envelope clearly labelled "Swimming Money", with the child's name and class.** Of course we also have the option of making an online payment, which we prefer, but we do ask that this is made in one payment of £23.00. This facility will be available from Friday 15th March. As always, I am very happy to talk with any parents who are experiencing extreme hardship, please arrange a time to come and meet with me.

☺ If you are able to make the full contribution straight away, then that would help us even more, as we would then be able to place the order immediately and perhaps get an even better deal! ☺

Please be aware however, that should we not receive sufficient contributions, by the 1st April then we may have to review the arrangements for swimming and cancel some of the sessions or restrict the year groups that it is offered to. There is no legal requirement on how often the children swim in school, only that they swim 25 metres by the end of Key Stage Two.

More information will follow regarding swimming timetables and the arrangements but may I remind you that if you wish to help with swimming in your child's class (Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 only), you must have a **DBS** check and complete a volunteer pack. Forms can be collected from the school office but please be aware that plenty of time must be allowed. Thank you so much for your support.

Alison Fox
Headteacher

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Swimming 2019

Child's name: Class:

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- ☐ I enclose £23.00 for swimming during the summer term 2019.
- ☐ I would prefer to pay in instalments and enclose £..... (amount) as an initial payment. Please issue me with a payment card.
- ☐ I will be making a payment of £23.00 through the online system.

Signed: ----- Parent/Carer



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