



17TH January 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Swimming Lessons

We would like to inform you that swimming lessons have been arranged for Mrs Penniston's class at South Charnwood Leisure Centre. Lessons will run for a total of 9 weeks starting on **Monday 5th February** and will be as follows:

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Mon	5 th	February		Mon	5 th	March		Mon	9 th	April
Mon	19 th	February		Mon	12 th	March		Mon	16 th	April
Mon	26 th	February		Mon	19 th	March		Mon	23 rd	April

Please keep this letter for reference of the dates for swimming as there won't be a reminder issued. The children will be collected from school after morning registration at 10.45am, please can you make sure that children arrive at school on time as the bus will leave promptly and if children are late they will not be able to attend the lesson. Children will arrive back in school at 12pm. We are using Total Travel for transport and the children will be accompanied at all times by school staff.

The children will require the following which must be clearly named and in a suitable bag. Leicestershire Education Authority recommends that the children do not wear goggles because they carry considerable risks. Please talk to Mr Brown if this is a problem for your child.

- ✓ A one-piece swimming costume or trunks (not baggy swim shorts or shorts)
- ✓ A towel
- ✓ Brush or comb
- ✓ Bag for kit

For safety reasons the children must not bring any kind of spray or deodorant etc and must not wear jewellery e.g. earrings (we cannot remove earrings for your child). If your child is asthmatic and requires an inhaler it must be available in school and taken to the swimming pool.

Swimming is a curriculum activity and we do not ask for payment for this, however we do provide transport to and from these sessions and therefore we are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£4.00 for each session**. You can pay this weekly on a Wednesday or **£36.00 for the full course of 9 lessons** (in the event of a cancellation we will refund the amount to you at the end of the course). Please make payment via ParentPay, either weekly or for the full amount. **If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, a discount has been applied and will be visible on your ParentPay payment item.**

You will have received a form with this letter asking if your child swims or is a non-swimmer. This form **MUST** be sent back to School by **Friday 26th January 2018**. School must receive this completed form before your child(ren) will be allowed to attend the swimming lessons.

Yours sincerely

Katie Bassett
Administration Assistant



Swimming Ability

Your child will not be allowed to swim unless we receive this form back by **Friday 26th January 2018.**

Thank you.

I agree to my child participating in the swimming lessons at South Charnwood Leisure Centre starting on **Monday 5th February** for 9 weeks.

Please indicate the most appropriate statement for your child: -

- My child is a non-swimmer
- My child can swim a width
- My child can swim a length
- My child is confident in deep water

We/I agree to my child

- Travelling by bus to South Charnwood Leisure Centre
- Participating in the swimming lessons

Signed below by the person with legal responsibility for the young person:

Signed:..... Date:

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Swimming Goggles Permission

The recommendation by the Local Education Authority is that children do not wear goggles because they do carry considerable risks. They are of the opinion that the hazards to the child and others are probably far in excess of a genuine need for protection. The risks include:

- Goggles of a cheaper variety may shatter in the event of a collision and may result in serious injury.
- Children using goggles do not always understand the correct way of putting them on and taking them off. Cold slippery fingers do not grasp the fittings adequately and a catapult effect can result in eye trauma.
- It is difficult to maintain accurately fitting eye protection therefore contact with water in the swimming pool is almost inevitable.

If you wish your child to wear goggles, please read and sign the following declaration.

I have read and understood the dangers. I accept responsibility for:

- Buying British Institute Kite-Marked swimming goggles.
- Ensuring that my child is trained in the wearing of swimming goggles.

Please note that the teacher in charge will take goggles off your child if they are not being used in the correct manner.

Childs name: Class:.....

Signed: Date: