

Thursday 14th December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of the PE National Curriculum, all children in Key Stage 2 must be able to:

- swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke]
- perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations

To ensure our children meet these National Curriculum requirements, we will be taking children in Year 3 swimming throughout the year.

Lessons will take place on Tuesday afternoons with each class allocated a 1 hour slot for a 10 week term.

3S will swim during the Spring term on the following dates.

9.1.18, 16.1.18, 23.1.18, 30.1.18, 6.2.18, 13.2.18, 27.2.18, 6.3.18, 13.3.18, 20.3.18

The cost of swimming lessons, including pool hire and life guard, will be met by the school. However under charging regulations, we ask for voluntary contributions of £20 per pupil per term to enable us to meet transport costs. This can be a one off payment of £20 or can be paid via weekly instalments of £2.00. Please pay via your Parent Pay account.

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- Boys to wear tight fitting swimming trunks which do not come below the knee. Board shorts are not appropriate.
- Girls to wear a one piece swimming costume.
- For safety reasons, long hair to be tied up in a secure bun, preferably covered by a swimming hat.
- All earrings must be removed for swimming. Health and safety guidelines state that teachers are not allowed to remove earrings. Children are responsible for their removal and safe keeping. No other jewellery to be worn.

Worcestershire County Council recommend that goggles are **NOT** worn, due to safety reasons, unless there is a significant need. However, if you would like your child to wear goggles, please complete the attached goggle consent form and return to the school office.

Please note, as Swimming is part of the statutory requirements for PE **ALL** children are expected to take part. If your child is well enough to be in school, he/she will be expected to participate in swimming lessons, unless there is a significant reason which has been discussed in the first instance with the class teacher.

Please return the acknowledgement slip back to school by **Thursday 4th January 2018.**

Yours faithfully

Mrs. S Baker

Assistant Head KS2

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT RECEIPT OF THE LETTER REGARDING SWIMMING LESSONS

I will make a voluntary contribution towards swimming costs of £20.00.

I will make a weekly contribution of £2.00

All monies to be paid to the school via the Parent Pay system.

Name of child..... Class

Signed