

## Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Dear Parent/Guardian,

All year 5 pupils are required to take part in swimming and safety lessons, as part of the national curriculum guidelines.

In particular, pupils should be taught 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

## **Swimming Information:**

Location: Adwick Leisure Centre

**Date & Duration:** Mondays (during term time and excluding Bank Holidays) from the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024 to the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**Time Session 1:** 9.15am – 10.15am. Coach Collection 08.45am – Drop off 10.30am **Time Session 2:** 10.30am – 11.30am. Coach Collection 10.00am – Drop off 11.45am Children will be put into groups on the morning.

As part of the swimming policy regarding clothing and equipment, pupils are required to wear:

Boys: Dark fitted swim shorts or trunks

Girls: Dark one-piece swimming costume

**Goggles:** Goggles are permitted with written consent but pupils will be encouraged not to wear them to replicate real life swimming safety scenarios.

**Water safety testing:** During the course, pupils will be asked to bring clothing to wear in the pool. This will include 2 x long sleeve tops and trousers; girls can wear skirts.

**Swim Safety Items:** All arm bands and swimming aids will be provided by the leisure centre. **Jewellery:** No jewellery shall be worn for swimming.

**Hair & cosmetics:** Long hair must be tied up. No items including deodorants or hair gel will be required. Please ensure all nail vanish is removed before swimming. Swim caps are advised.

**Medical:** Any inhalers or medicinal items will need to be available during swimming sessions, please supply any items required.

## **Consent Form**

Attached are the consent forms that are required to be completed regarding water confidence and medical details before swimming starts, please return these to your child's class teacher by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024.

Kind regards, Mr Newsham

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