

06 September 2024

## Swimming

Dear Parent/Carer of Y5,

It is a national curriculum requirement that children, by the end of Year 6, can competently, confidently and proficiently swim over a distance of at least 25 metres. To give the children the best opportunity to meet this curriculum requirement, we would like to provide your child with a number of swimming lessons.

Swimming lessons will begin for **Miss Steward/Mrs Bradwell's class on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024** for nine weeks. The last session will take place on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024**. **Mr Horner's class** will have swimming lessons for nine weeks **starting on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024** and will finish on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025**.

Children attending swimming will have lunch on first sitting then go to the swimming pool to start the lesson at 1.50pm at Stocksbridge Leisure Centre. They will be accompanied by staff members but lessons will be taught by qualified swimming instructors.

Your child must come to school 'swim ready'. This means that children need to arrive at school with their swimming trunks on with the bottom of their swimming costumes on (rather than pants) under their school uniform.

Children will also need to bring a towel and carrier bag to put their wet swim wear into after the session. Children will be getting changed in the changing room before returning to school.

Please note bikinis, tankinis and shorts that are longer than knee length are not appropriate attire for swimming lessons.

No shampoo or shower gel will be needed. Hair will need to be tied up and no earrings should be worn.

Please pack a healthy snack for your child which he/she will be able to have on their return to school.

Your child may wear goggles and there is an online consent form below which **must be** completed for this. Without a consent form your child cannot wear goggles.

<https://forms.microsoft.com/e/UNkZeJ9QV4>

Yours sincerely,



Miss Jones  
Executive Headteacher