



11th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Stepping forward together
Swimming for Year 6 Children – From Tuesday 15th June

Following an unfortunate amount of 'backwards and forwards' with Newton Abbot Leisure Centre as a result of recent and ongoing COVID-related goings on, we are really pleased to say that we have been able to secure opportunities for Year 6 to go swimming together each Tuesday at 2.00pm for the next six weeks.

The sessions will be led by qualified instructors and will see our Year 6 children, who missed out on the opportunity, due to school closure, in Year 5 begin to catch-up on the valuable experience that school swimming provides. It is so rare, and so valuable, that children can go swimming with so many friends at the same time. It is a great opportunity to learn, and a great time to enjoy.

As always, children will be provided with a learning group that matches their level of swimming experience. We recognise, sadly, that the six sessions is fewer than the ten sessions we would normally wish to offer, however we are pleased to be able to offer what we can at this late stage of the school year.

Children will be swimming each Tuesday afternoon and are requested to bring with them a swimming costume and towels. We are advised that changing facilities will be available however showers cannot be accessed due to ongoing COVID-related restrictions.

The cost of each session is £3.50, and payment must be made ahead of each session via the School Gateway app where there will be an option to pay weekly, or the total sum of £21.00 covering six sessions. With tuition included we are pleased that this cost provides good value for money.

A reply slip will be handed to your child to complete today – **we cannot take your child swimming unless we have a signed copy of this slip in our hands, together with payment via School Gateway, ahead of each session.**

With this in mind, and with the hope that sessions will begin next Tuesday we would ask that you **complete and return this form to us immediately**. We apologise for the short notice but we have only today been able to finalise arrangements with the Leisure Centre, and are keen to squeeze in as many sessions as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Scott Hampton
Co-Head Teacher

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Co-Head Teacher