

December 2020



Dear Parents/guardians

We are happy to inform you that we are able to once again offer swimming lessons for our Year 3 children. Lessons will be taking place at the new pool at the Alan Higgs Centre.

Children will be kept within their year group bubble and the centre has implemented a number of additional measures in order to be COVID secure such as a one way system, enhanced and increased cleaning schedules and reduction in numbers of visitors allowed in the pool at any one time.

The first session will be Friday 8th January at 13.30pm. Lessons will then run every Friday during the Spring term.

The cost of the swimming course and transport is ± 37.50 . Children who are registered for pupil premium will be subsidised by the school for half the cost of the course.

You can make payment and give your consent via SIMS Pay, it will be listed under the Fees and Subs heading.

If your child is not able to swim on any day, please send a note to the class teacher. Refunds of fees will only be made if, as a school we are unable to attend swimming due to government restrictions preventing this activity.

Please see attached information for further details.

Yours sincerely

Miss H Ingram Year 3 Leader



In order that your child has a safe and enjoyable experience when taking part in swimming lessons please read the following notes:-

- The programme that we run at Coventry Sports Foundation sites is based on teaching the correct strokes from day one. We use body belts and arm bands so that the children do not have to think about the correct body position (staying afloat) and that they can concentrate on the correct stroke (movement of the arms and legs). We find this gives the best results in the shortest time.
- 2. If a child needs to wear glasses in the water, we ask that they are secured on by a strap and that the lenses are made of plastic.
- 3. The wearing of goggles is not permitted in the majority of groups. The reason we discourage goggles is so they can get used to having their faces in the water, if they can only swim wearing goggles and they fall into unknown water the chances are they would panic.
- 4. Hair that is any longer than the earlobes/nape of the neck should be tied into a ponytail or clipped up and a swimming hat worn
- 5. No jewellery, **including earrings**, can be worn, unless it's for religious purposes in which case it must be taped to the skin.
- 6. Children are required to wear swimming trunks/shorts (above the knee) or one piece swimming costumes. If for religious purposes the body needs to be covered make sure it is in light weight lycra material.
- 7. If your child suffers from asthma, please ensure they bring their inhaler with them to their lesson or they will not be able to