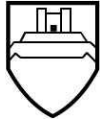




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Wednesday 2nd April 2025

Swimming - Years 4 and 5

This year, Five Rivers Leisure Centre have offered us the chance to have a course of 10 swimming sessions. We will swim **every Thursday afternoon, 1.45-2.15pm**, starting Thursday 1st May 2025. The last swimming session will be on Thursday 10th July 2025.

As it is the summer term and the weather is warmer (fingers crossed!), we will walk to and from the leisure centre. Please make sure they have a raincoat just in case it does rain.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£3 per session**. This does not cover the entire cost of lessons but goes some way to covering the cost of swimming teachers, lifeguards and the hire of the swimming pool. The balance will come from the school budget. Private swimming lessons are very expensive, so I hope you agree this still represents good value for money. Swimming is an important life skill, indeed it could be a lifesaving skill so please if you can support us in keeping the swimming sessions going.

Please make payments through ParentPay. The payment item will remain active throughout the course of the swimming lessons, so you are welcome to contribute in one lump sum of £30, or smaller payments of £3 each week. The default amount will show £30 but please adjust this as you see fit.

The children will need a swimming costume (no bikinis), towel and sturdy bag for these sessions (a bag that will fit into a locker please, not a suitcase!) Please try not to put kit in plastic carrier bags as they invariably lead to problems when they split. When they arrive at the pool, the children must take their shoes and socks off before they enter the changing room, so it's a good idea not to wear tights!

The swimming instructors will carry out an assessment of all the children's abilities on our first swimming session. To help us with this please can you complete the form following the link below by Tuesday 22nd April 2025.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Xn8hKUa4MD>

If you have any questions regarding the finer detail of swimming please contact me.

Kind regards

Justine Watkins