

18th November 2009

Dear Parents

The children in Year 6 children usually have swimming sessions at the end of the summer term. Unfortunately, Bishops Waltham Junior School pool will be closed for maintenance and repair during this time. Therefore, we have arranged to take the Year 6 children for one session in January. The children will travel by coach and will leave school at 12.45 and return at 2.15pm. The dates are as follows:

Tuesday, 12 th January	Water Safety	Mr Hughes' class
Tuesday, 19 th January	Water Safety	Mrs Dirks' class

There are three conditions of which you should be aware for use of the pool:

1. Children are unable to swim with an uncovered verruca. The soles of the their feet are checked before they enter the water and any child suspected of having a verruca is asked to get their parent to have it checked and treated by their GP or local chemist. In our view covering the verruca with a verruca sock is sufficient. The verruca sock can be purchased from Ridgemedes School Office, price £1.30 each.
2. All users of the pool must wear a swimming hat. This stops hairs getting into the filtration system and causing problems. Hats are available for purchase from Ridgemedes School Office, priced either £1.50 or £3.50.
3. Children are not permitted to wear earrings in the swimming pool so we ask that you remove them before school on your child's Tuesday swimming session. The children often find it difficult to remove their earrings themselves.

Yours sincerely

G Dirks
T Hughes