

Swanmore C.E. (Aided) Primary School

11th September 2017

Dear Parents,

Just to remind Mr Flynn/Mrs Doran's class about swimming lessons starting this week, on Wednesday 13th September.

As part of the PE curriculum Year 3 will receive a programme of 7 swimming lessons. This is to help meet the National Curriculum requirement for each child which is to be able to swim 25m competently and safely, using efficient swimming strokes.

This year's swimming programme is being delivered by Mr Flynn and two swimming teachers from the Bishops Waltham Junior School Swimming Association, Nikki Creswell and Erica Gamblin. Visits to Bishops Waltham Junior School's Swimming Pool will take place on Wednesday afternoon's, (with the exception of one on Tuesday), leaving school at 12:50pm and returning at 2:30pm. The dates are as follows:

Mr Flynn/Mrs Doran's class will go swimming on:

Wednesday 13th September
Wednesday 20th September
Wednesday 27th September
Wednesday 4th October

Wednesday 11th October
Wednesday 18th October
Wednesday 1st November

Mrs Cousins' class will go swimming on:

Wednesday 8th November
Wednesday 15th November
Wednesday 22nd November
Wednesday 29th November

Wednesday 6th December
Tuesday 12th December
Wednesday 13th December

These swimming sessions aim to develop the children's water confidence, swimming ability and stroke style.

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 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.
2. The Swimming Teachers ask that all swimmers wear a swimming hat.
3. Children are not permitted to wear earrings in the swimming pool so we ask that you remove them before school on Wednesdays. The children often find it difficult to remove their earrings themselves.

We would be very grateful for parents to help with the swimming sessions, however, this would mean completing a DBS disclosure form. Please let us know if you are interested in helping the school in this way.

Yours sincerely

J Paterson
Headteacher