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Re: KS2 swimming lessons, September 2024

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As part of our ongoing commitment to promoting physical fitness and water safety, we are pleased to inform you about an update to our KS2 swimming program.

For the upcoming term, all Year 5 children will have the opportunity to participate in swimming lessons. This will allow every child to benefit from these important life skills, whether they are already confident swimmers or just beginning to learn. As a school we strive to ensure our children meet the end of KS2 expectations of being able to perform safe self-rescue in different water based situations, swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres, use a range of strokes effectively, for example, front crawl, backstroke, and breaststroke.

Therefore, after this term, our swimming program will be tailored to focus specifically on those children in Years 5 and 6 who are not yet able to swim to the expected standard. This adjustment will ensure that we are providing additional support to those who need it most, helping all students to develop basic swimming and water safety skills.

We believe this approach will allow us to use our resources more effectively while ensuring that every child has the chance to become a confident swimmer. If your child is already able to swim, we encourage you to continue supporting their development through extra-curricular or family swimming activities outside of school.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss your child's participation in the swimming lessons, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Jo Banks

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inspire love for life-long learning and prepare children for a changing
Society.*