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Dear Parents,

ADVANCE NOTICE - SWIMMING ARRANGEMENTS FOR YEAR 3 - SUMMER 2023



Swimming lessons are part of the curriculum entitlement which we are required to provide for our children. We are not allowed to use government sports funding in respect of these curriculum lessons. Because we are a rural school, the cost of these lessons also includes significant transport costs. We ask for a voluntary contribution to help us meet the costs of providing swimming. Please do help us if you can. Budgets are increasingly tight for all schools and your support makes a real difference.

All children leaving primary school are expected to achieve a Curriculum Standard Level 5 (equivalent to having passed ASA Standard Level 6). If your child has already achieved this level, they will still be coming swimming as Tadley Pool adapts their lessons for all abilities of swimmers. The criteria for Curriculum Standard Level 5 is as follows:-

In water of at least 1.3 metres depth, I can:-

- Without the use of aids show a horizontal star float on my back for 10 seconds
- Without any aids show any floating position on my front for 5 seconds
- Swim a minimum of 25 metres on my front (front crawl style) with arms recovering over the water
- Swim a minimum of 25 metres on my back (back crawl style) with arms recovering over the water
- Swim a minimum of 10 metres on my front (breast stroke style)
- Using a head first descent pick up an object from the pool bottom
- Tread water for 45 seconds
- Perform a safe standing jump from the side of the pool at 1.3 metres

The voluntary contribution to cover all ten sessions will be **£55**. We will provide further details nearer the time regarding how you can help towards this cost for your child.

Our swimming lessons will take place on Tuesday mornings, and sessions will start on Tuesday, 18th April 2023. There will be a total of 10 sessions, with the exception of Tuesday, 20th June and therefore lessons will finish on Tuesday, 4th July 2023.

As ever, please contact us at school if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Mrs M Higgs
Headteacher

