

St. Peter's Primary School



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Dear Parents

Autumn Term 2026 Swimming for Year 6 at Leominster Pool

As part of the school's Physical Education curriculum, we have arranged for Year 6 to take part in swimming lessons at Leominster Pool.

There will be 10 block sessions in October as follows:



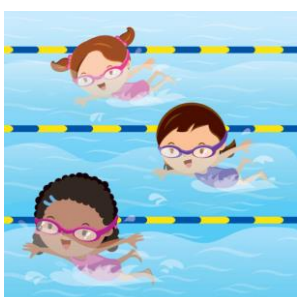
Monday 5 th October	Tuesday 6 th October	Wednesday 7 th October	Thursday 8 th October	Friday 9 th October
Monday 12 th October	Tuesday 13 th October	Wednesday 14 th October	Thursday 15 th October	Friday 16 th October

Studies have shown that swimming each day, in a block, results in much better progress than weekly lessons. It is something that the swimming pool provide regularly and highly recommend. Also, the lessons have been increased to 40 minute lessons so you should see rapid improvement in your child's swimming abilities.

Following our regular reviews of swimming provision, arrangements are as follows:

1. The average cost of providing swimming through the year (pool hire, employing instructors, coach transport and additional staff) is at least £20 per child per lesson. Normal practice in primary schools is that parents are asked to cover the majority of the cost of swimming. However, school will subsidise some of the cost and asks parents for a voluntary contribution* of £40.00 (10 sessions at £4.00 per lesson).
2. To improve quality of teaching, we have three qualified instructors. This means that the class attending will be split roughly equally into three ability groups with two being taught by instructors and one by the class teacher.

We hope you agree that at £40.00 our school swimming provides excellent value and a great opportunity for your child to attend quality lessons, learning an invaluable life skill. However, in order to maintain this price, we do need everyone to pay please.



Please complete the attached consent form and return with your payment by Friday 25th September.

Yours sincerely

Heather Yarnold
Head of School

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Having read the covering letter, I give my consent for

Pupil _____ to attend the swimming sessions as described.

I understand that the full payment of £40.00 will need to be paid by **Friday 25th September**.

- For safety, hygiene and efficiency reasons, a swimming hat is worn where hair is long or liable to flow into the child's eyes. Long hair **MUST** be tied back and this must be dealt with by the child or parent prior to school – teachers should not be asked to do this.
- Children with pierced ears **MUST** remove their earrings, and jewellery and watches may not be taken to the swimming pool.
- All children must bring in a named bag, a towel, swimming costume and swimming hat (or hair tied back). Girls should wear one-piece swimming suits, not bikini or tankini sets. Boys' swimming shorts should be appropriate for swimming - short and fitting, not long or baggy.

I would like my child to be allowed to wear their own swimming goggles ☐

My child can swim at least the width of a standard pool ☐

My child has already gained the following swimming awards / experience of swimming / water outside school:

Any relevant information (e.g. medical / water concerns):

☐ I enclose cheque/cash of £40.00
Paid to Three Counties Academy Trust (TCAT)

☐ I have paid £40.00 online via MCAS.

Parent signature _____

Emergency Contact Number _____

***VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION:** Under the 1996 Education Act, the school requests a voluntary contribution if you wish your child to take part in this visit. The contribution is voluntary, but the visit will only take place if there are enough voluntary contributions to make the trip possible. Otherwise, the trip will be cancelled and a full refund will be made.

