



Greywood
Multi-Schools Trust

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Dear current Y2/Y3 parents (Y3/4 in September)

Y3/4 Swimming Lessons from September 2022 - Autumn 2022 and Spring 2023 Terms

As you may be aware Y3/4 children will be having weekly swimming lessons at the Friary Leisure Centre in Lichfield on Monday afternoons (2pm to 2.45pm). The timetable for lessons is as follows:

Autumn Term commences on Monday, 13th September for 6 weeks (last lesson 17th October 2022)

recommences Monday, 31st October for 6 weeks (last lesson 12th December 2022)

Spring Term commences Monday, 9th January 2023 for 6 weeks (last lesson 13th February 2023)

recommences Wednesday, 27th February for 5 weeks (last lesson 27th March 2023)

We realise that for some pupils this may be the first time they have been swimming with school. Swimming is an important part of our PE curriculum both for physical exercise and safety reasons. We go to the Friary Leisure Centre for swimming lessons in County approved transport and we will be the only school in the pool for our lesson. Pupils are taught in small groups organised by the Friary Leisure Centre swimming instructors. Typically abilities will range from complete non-swimmers, who might be frightened of water, to confident, able swimmers. I'm sure your child will slot in easily somewhere.

While we are at the Leisure Centre we have to follow Staffordshire Local Authority guidelines about what to wear and how to behave.

What pupils need:

All pupils need a towel and swimming costume. For boys this must be trunks and not shorts. For girls it must be one-piece swimming costume and not a bikini. Swimming kits must be brought into school on the morning of the lessons.

All pupils need a swimming hat - these can be purchased from the leisure centre if required.

Teachers at the swimming pool prefer children not to wear goggles, but they can use them with written permission. Please find attached a goggles permission slip with this letter. This form must be returned to the office by the 6th September (first day back at school after the Summer holidays please).

If a pupil has a verruca they will need to have it covered with a sock. This can be an ordinary sock - but please make sure that it's one you don't mind getting wet and that it won't come off easily in the water.

Pupils will be supervised in the changing rooms by school staff.

As we have already received your permission to take your child off-site there is no more to do than help your child remember to bring their swimming kit into school every Monday when swimming lessons are scheduled and to sign/return the goggles permission slip if required.

If you have any other questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely

Vicki Barnes Headteacher