



All Saints Primary School Newsletter

May 2015

Dear Parents & Carers



SWIMMING 2015

The half term holidays are nearly upon us and as you are aware we propose to begin swimming on a daily basis (weather permitting!) from **Monday 1st June**. Every child will therefore require:-

- ◆ A one piece swimming costume or swimming trunks
- ◆ Swim Hat
- ◆ A towel
- ◆ A pair of flip flops
- ◆ A waterproof plastic bag in which to carry this kit

Swimming hats **MUST** be worn by both boys and girls.

Children who cannot yet swim will be provided with armbands.

Swimming goggles **SHOULD NOT** be worn for school swimming by children in Reception, Years 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Children are normally in the pool for a short period of time only (15-20 minutes per day) and we check the chlorine levels daily to ensure good water quality. Goggles are a nuisance and can distract children from the lesson.

Also, it is essential that children become confident in putting their faces underwater without them. Stronger swimmers in Years 5 and 6 can be expected to practise more sustained swimming as part of their lesson and goggles may be worn by these children if they choose to wear them. However, they are not an essential item and most children will not need them. The school cannot be responsible if goggles get damaged or lost. **If your child has a medical condition and needs to wear goggles or ear plugs, please contact me directly.**

Please ensure that all kit and items of clothing are clearly marked.

We are hugely indebted to Mr Parker who has given freely his time and expertise to ensure that the pool is ready for use. This has involved moving the pump house, repairs to the pool walls and replacing the coping around the edges of the pool. This work has taken many days which have been entirely volunteered by Mr Parker. Without his generosity the pool would not be financially viable. Thank you to all the families who have sent in their £20 contributions to swimming this year. We are still however, awaiting contributions from 15 families and would welcome these as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely
Anne Crumpler