



24th March 2026

Year 6 Swimming- terms 5 & 6

Dear Parents & Carers,

We will be providing swimming lessons as part of our curriculum for Year 6 pupils during terms 5 & 6. The compulsory National Curriculum swimming requirements are that children should be taught:

- To swim unaided, competently and safely for at least 25 metres.
- To develop confidence in water, how to rest, float and adopt support positions.
- A variety of means of propulsion using arms or legs or both and how to develop effective and efficient swimming strokes on the front and back.
- The principals and skills of water safety and survival.

Lessons will take place 9.00am until 10.45pm, Friday mornings at Easton Leisure Centre, where there is excellent quality of teaching and more swimming instructors available to us. Lessons will take place on the following dates:

- 1st May, 8th May, 22nd May, 5th June, 12th June, 19th June, 26th June

Whilst the cost of the lessons and most of the travel is paid for by the school, we are asking parents/carers to contribute £22.50 in total using MCAS to assist us with the transport costs. This contribution is in line with requests by other local schools. If you were to pay for your child to attend swimming lessons outside of school these cost between £5 and £7.50 per session.

We need 4 volunteers to assist with travel to swimming each week (8.50am – 11.00am) please sign up at the school office. If you can commit to volunteering each week for all 7 sessions, we will remove the £22.50 contribution from your MCAS account.

On Fridays each week your child will need to wear their swimming costume to school (no bikinis or long trunks) and bring a towel and underwear to change into in a named waterproof bag.

- Long hair must be tied back.
- Jewellery should not be worn as we will not be responsible for any losses. It is very important that all earrings are removed. If your child has newly pierced ears, then they must have a swimming hat to cover their ears.
- If your child uses a deodorant, please ensure it is a roll on and not an aerosol. Also please do not pack talcum powder.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Worsop
PE Lead