



**Rye Community Primary School & Starfish Pre-school**  
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Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Dear Parents and carers,

This is to let you know that the Year 5 and 6 classes will be swimming on **Wednesday afternoons between 1.30pm and 3pm for 12 weeks commencing Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September with the final session taking place on 7<sup>th</sup> December**. These lessons will be led by two qualified swimming instructors.

Swimming is only a part of the National Curriculum for KS2; with each KS2 child expected to be able to swim 25m by the end of Primary School, year 6.

We want to ensure as many children as possible are able to do this. This is a commitment we want to make as a school, because we feel that water safety is a life skill and particularly required in the area we live. However, we do **rely** on voluntary contributions.

In order for swimming lessons to take place, **we require £2.20 per session or a total of £26.40 for the 12 sessions. Our preference would be for the £26.40 payment to be paid before the end of September**. We are happy to receive instalments of any amount in advance of each weekly swimming lesson.

**Any arrears have to be funded by the school at the cost of any other learning resources.**

You can pay online via ParentPay (the web based system we currently use to pay for school meals). We hope you will support us in enabling our children to have swimming in every year group.

I am sure as parents and as members of a local seaside community you too understand the need for our children to be water confident.

If you would like to make an additional contribution to the school to support any individual families who are finding it difficult to make the payment, then please speak to Mrs Suzie James or Mrs Ria Cruttenden in the school office, as we would like as many children to be able to swim as possible.

**On Wednesdays, please ensure your children have the following in school:**

- **swimming costume/trunks**
- **Large towel**
- **Hair band for long hair or a swimming cap if preferred.**
- **ALL JEWELLERY MUST BE REMOVED OR SECURED SAFELY.**

**If you have a child in Dolphins class, please collect any siblings from school first as this will allow an additional 5-10 minutes for the children to get changed.**

**All children from Dolphins class will need to be picked up from the swimming pool at 3:05pm. Children from Marlin class will be picked up as normal from the playground.**

Best Wishes,

Miss F Brassleay  
Assistant Headteacher