



March 2022

Year 5 and 6 swimming sessions at the Manor Leisure Pool, Whittlesey

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Physical Education National Curriculum 2000 requirements include swimming as part of the children's education. We are fortunate to have exclusive use of the Manor swimming pool on Wednesday mornings and are able to offer our children the opportunity to participate in a course of five 40-minute lessons in small groups over a 5-week period. **The dates are as follows:**

Year 5: Wednesday 20th, 27th April, 4th, 18th, and 25th May

Year 6: Wednesday 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th June, and 13th July

The children will walk to and from the pool supervised at all times by adults in school.

The sessions are led by Mr Ingham and incorporate both the ASA and Cambridge schemes of work to form a Park Lane swimming syllabus. We hope that this will help to improve the pupil's swimming ability whilst working within the parameters of the National Curriculum. This year in order to aid the development of the children, we have decided to use 2 fully qualified swimming teachers, who are supplied by the Manor Leisure Centre. We hope that this will have a significant impact upon the progress the children will make.

Under Health and Safety requirements at the swimming pool, we must notify the pool staff of any relevant medical conditions of pupils. Please advise your child's class teacher of any conditions. **As additional safety measures we ask that all children wear a swimming cap. A limited supply are available for purchase from school for £1.50 (please make payment via the school gateway app).**

Please note that no below the knee swimming shorts are to be worn.

It is anticipated that your child will participate in this course of lessons. Due to the impact of Covid-19, the government has allowed schools for this year only to subsidise the cost of swimming through the sport premium money. Therefore, there will be no charge for swimming this year. Due to the limited number of weeks available, we have also decided to prioritise swimming for Year 5 and 6 children.

Please ensure you email your child's class teacher with details of any medical conditions along with the level of swimming your child is currently working towards if they participate in out of school lessons. This will help us to group the children into ability groups.

Yours sincerely,

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