



Dear Parents

Year 4 Swimming Lessons – Spring Term 2017

You may remember that we wrote to you, this time last year, to explain that school swimming lessons would have to cease due to the mounting costs to school for the lessons, teachers and unavoidable travel . We ask parents to contribute but, as swimming is a curriculum subject, we can only request contributions. As we weren't receiving enough contributions, I took the grim decision to cancel swimming lessons.

This was not a comfortable decision so we have been exploring other solutions so that your child can swim – combining safety/fun/quality teaching with a lower cost to parents.

I am delighted to inform you that swimming lessons will commence for Year 4 pupils on Monday 15th January. Swimming is part of the National Curriculum so your child's swimming lessons will focus on the following objectives:

- swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- use a range of strokes effectively [for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke]
- perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations

The lessons next term will be held on the following dates:

January	15 th , 22 nd , 29 th
February	5 th , 19 th , 26 th
March	5 th , 12 th , 19 th

Total	9 Sessions
Venue:	Monkton Combe School

To enable us to restart the swimming provision for our school, we are asking for contributions of £43.80 to cover the cost of: qualified swimming instructors; pool hire; coach travel to and from the pool each week. We would be grateful if you could send payment to the school office or through ParentPay by 8th January for either the full amount or in two instalments of £21.90 – the first instalment will be due on 8th January and the final instalment should be paid by 19th February. This is equivalent to £4.87 a lesson which is really good value.

After Term 4, we will review the swimming provision and plan next steps.

In order to continue with this provision, we do need financial assistance from parents. However, should there be a specific reason for not contributing, financial or otherwise, I would be grateful if you could let us know as soon as possible.

Best wishes,

Sarah Weber

SWIMMING LESSONS – HAZEL CLASS/YR 4 – TERMS 3 AND 4 2018

NAME OF CHILD:

To : The School Office

- I give consent for my child to travel by coach to Monkton Combe School
- I enclose a cheque/cash for £43.80 as a contribution towards the Spring term swimming lessons.
- I enclose a cheque/cash for the first instalment of £21.90 as a contribution towards swimming lessons
- I have paid my contribution online through Parent Pay.

Parent Signature: Date:



SWIMMING LESSON GUIDELINES

ALL

If possible please remove earrings on swimming days. If not, earrings need to be covered with hypo-allergenic tape.

No hair gel may be used on swimming days.

Swimming hats must be worn.

Goggles are optional and not necessary.

GIRLS

A one piece-swimsuit should be worn for the lessons – bikini's or two-piece type swimwear **are not** permitted.

If your child has long enough hair, plaits are ideal for swimming days as the swimming hat goes on more easily.

BOYS

Swimming trunks or cycle type swimming shorts are permitted (shorts must be well above the knee).