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Wednesday 15th December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Swimming – Spring Term 2022 – Middle School/Upper School (Years 3 and 4)

In the Spring term, restrictions permitting, we plan for the children in Middle School - Years 3 and 4 only - to attend 10 half hour swimming lessons at Basildon Sporting Village. As part of the National Curriculum pupils are expected to participate in swimming as it forms an integral part of the curriculum along with games, gymnastics and dance. Government's expectation is that pupils leaving primary school must be able to swim 25 metres. Unlike religious and sex education lessons parents are not allowed to opt out of PE lessons.

Swimming lessons start on **Thursday 13th January 2022** and then on the following dates: 20th, 27th January, 3rd, 10th and 24th February, 3rd, 10th, 17th finishing on 24th March.

The cost of swimming is £36.00 for the 10 weeks. This has been heavily subsidised by the Government's PE Grant. I am obliged by law to inform you that you are under no obligation to make the requested voluntary contribution. Your child will not be treated differently from the others if you choose not to contribute.

Children must wear school uniform on swimming lesson days. Please do not let them wear their swimming costumes to school for hygiene reasons. They will need a towel, costume or trunks, brush or comb. Red swimming hats need to be worn and will be provided free of charge. Girls should wear costumes (bikinis are not permitted) and boys should wear trunks or shorts that are above the knee. All earrings **must be** removed as it is the policy of the pool that no earrings are permitted. Please let us know if your child has recently had their ears pierced.

Please send back the attached permission slip to school by **7th January 2022**.

Payment is available now through www.schoolmoney.co.uk and the deadline for this is **10th February 2022**.

Yours faithfully,

Miss S Finch
Executive Headteacher

Miss E Taylor
Head of School

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Child's name _____

Please tick as appropriate and return this slip by 7th January 2022

I give permission for my child to attend swimming lessons

I DO NOT give permission for my child to attend swimming lessons

Signed _____

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