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6th March 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 5 Swimming Programme

We are delighted to inform you that we are, once again, able to resume our swimming programme. We have partnered up with the local Shirley Swimming Pool. Both Year 5 classes will take part.

Details are as follows:

- **5J** term time Fridays from April 25th to June 6th
- **5H** term time Fridays from June 13th to July 18th
- Venue: Shirley Swimming Pool
- Start time: We will be leaving school at 1:00pm

Children will return to school in time for the end of the normal school day.

Children will be walking to the pool together with the class teacher and additional adults. Please make sure your child brings a suitable coat in case of inclement weather. Whilst at the pool, they will be supported by the swimming teachers and team at Shirley Pool during the lesson.

Children should come to school in PE kit with a **one-piece** swimming costume or shorts / trunks and a towel in a rucksack. They will be required to carry the rucksack to the pool and back. Children can come to school with their swimming costume on underneath their PE kit for speed and convenience at the start of the session if they wish, but please remember to pack underwear to change back into. In addition to this, children should also bring a pair of swimming goggles with them. These can be purchased from Shirley Swimming Pool directly in advance. Children will be changing in the pool facilities and will have access to private booths if they are required.

Please give permission for your child to participate in the swimming programme on SCOPAY by Friday 28th March.

Failure to give permission will mean your child will be unable to take part in any of the sessions, however, please note that swimming is a compulsory part of the curriculum so it is expected that all children participate. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Physical Education