

Swimming 2020

Dear Parents,

All children in Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be swimming this term.

Lessons will be on a Thursday, starting next week - 16th January. There will be 10 sessions, the dates are as follows:

16th, 23rd, 30th January
6th, 13th, 27th February
5th, 12th, 26th March (NOT 19th March)
2nd April

Children will need their swimming kit and a towel every Thursday. Turnaround between lessons will be tight so it would really help us if children could have their swimming costumes on under their clothes in the morning before school. They can also wear jogging bottoms, polo shirts & trainers to help them change more quickly after their lesson. Goggles are strongly encouraged by the instructors and they require that long hair is tied back.

As in the last three years, lessons will be at Tewkesbury School Sports Centre with mini bus transport provided.

We are asking for a contribution of £3 per child per lesson – a total of £30 per child for the 10 sessions. Lessons can be paid for weekly (£3), half termly (£15 before February half term and then £15 between half term and Easter) or for the whole term (£30). Payments are via School Spider.

These costs remain the same as last year. We make no money at all from swimming provision and we are subsidising the cost of these lessons from the school budget. We rely on all contributions for swimming being made to prevent us having to use budget already allocated to other activities to cover any shortfall.

We understand that some children will already be having swimming lessons outside of school. However, swimming is a statutory part of the National Curriculum which we have a duty to provide. The lessons at Tewkesbury School are excellent and are tailored to support all abilities in small groups. Swimming is a great way to keep fit, helps children to keep safe in water and they really enjoy going with their friends.

As always, if you have any questions please do come and ask.