

**ELVINGTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL** 



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Dear Parent,

Swimming lessons are due to begin on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June at York Sports Village for Year 5 and Year 6 children. Swimming is an essential part of the PE curriculum and also great fun.

This year, we are asking for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of the lessons and coach of £17 per child for the 6 weeks. Unfortunately if we do not receive enough voluntary contributions swimming will not be able to go ahead. Please complete your voluntary contribution on ParentPay, including giving permission and return the reply slip overleaf by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April. As with all school payments, if you require financial assistance please do not hesitate to contact Miss Collier by telephone, email or in person.

Government guidelines stipulate that all primary aged children should have access to at least 2 hours of physical activity a week, timetabled as PE in curriculum time. Swimming provides strength, stamina and suppleness by using all the muscles in the body and exercising the joints. Regular exercise improves fitness and enables the body to work more efficiently. Even if your child can swim, or attends out of school swimming lessons, school based lessons are still a statutory requirement in order to ensure that all children are able to swim and have mastered some simple personal survival skills.

I have liaised with the Swimming Administrator at York Sports Village and have made it clear that we have children of all swimming abilities, including some very competent swimmers, attending the lessons. Children will be grouped by ability and will be supported and challenged as necessary. The attached form will support this as we will have an indication of each child's ability and confidence in advance.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak with me.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Richards



## Swimming dates:

Monday 13th June 2016 Monday 20th June 2016 Monday 27th June 2016 Monday 4th July 2016 Monday 11th July 2016 Monday 18th July 2016

I give permission for my child ...... to attend 6 weeks of swimming lessons at York Sports Village Pool.

I enclose a voluntary contribution of £17.

I have completed my voluntary contribution using ParentPay

Signed......Date.....

To help us plan the initial swimming groups for the children please indicate the best fit for your child and add any other relevant details.

My child is a non-swimmer

My child can swim with arm bands and is water confident

 $\square$  My child can swim a little

My child is a confident swimmer and has achieved the following distance badges:

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