

# 'Do Everything In LOVE' - 1 Corinthians 16 v14



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Dear Parents

## Swimming Lessons

We have had problems arranging our swimming provision this year as our usual time is not available and Five Rivers have changed their rules regarding how many pupils we can take each week. In addition, we have only been able to book sessions during the spring term. Because the National Curriculum states that children need to be able to swim 25m, we will prioritise children who are not yet able to swim this distance.

During the spring term, **all children in Year 4** and **selected pupils in Y6** will be attending swimming lessons each Tuesday at Five Rivers Leisure Centre; these will start on Tuesday 14 January.

The Year 6 children have been informed today if they are to attend swimming lessons and parents will receive a message to confirm. If you believe that your child is not able to swim 25m and they are not offered lessons, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

The children's water confidence and capabilities will be assessed in the first week and the children will be grouped. Lessons will take place in either the Teaching Pool or the Main Pool, and will be taught by either a trained member of staff from St Andrew's or a swimming teacher from Five Rivers.

The children will leave school (by coach) at 11am; lessons start at 11:30am and finish at 12 noon. They will arrive back at school by 12:30pm, just in time for lunch. While the swimming lessons are funded by school, and the transport costs are heavily subsidised, we do request contributions towards the cost of the coach. This year, we are requesting just £1.25 per week, a total of £13.75 for the term. This will be payable on the school app.

If your child is selected to attend these sessions, they will need a suitable one-piece swimming costume/shorts, towel and swimming hat (if they usually wear one). Long hair must be tied back and earrings should be removed. Children should bring their kit in a separate bag.

Yours sincerely,

J. Fernie

*We know that God loves us; We show it by being loving, honest and respectful.*