



FAIR FIELD
JUNIOR SCHOOL

Fair Field Junior School

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Thursday 15th April 2021

Dear Year 3 & 6 Parents/Carers,

Swimming in the Summer Term (The Venue, Borehamwood)

Swimming will begin the morning of **Tuesday 27th April 2021** and will continue throughout the Summer term, with the last lesson on **Tuesday 25th May 2021**.

The lessons are timetabled as 5 weekly 30-minute lessons for each class.

Travel

The children will travel to and from The Venue in Borehamwood by coach accompanied by members of school staff. We have liaised with the coach company about their COVID procedures: the coach is cleaned between different groups of children, the staff have to wear face coverings on the coach and the children have to sit in the same seats on the coach every week for swimming.

Teaching and supervision

Your child will be taught swimming by qualified swimming instructors. In addition, your child's class teacher and teaching assistant will accompany them throughout. Adult to pupil ratios will be at least 1:8 at pool side. In the first session, the instructors will carefully assess the ability of all children.

COVID Procedures:

- one-way system at the Venue,
- staff will adhere with social distancing,
- hand sanitizing on entering and leaving the Venue,
- floatation aids are cleaned between groups and are laid against the side of the pool, as opposed to stacked, to reduce cross contamination,
- pool water will be tested by staff at the Venue every 2 hours,
- children must arrive at their lessons 'beach ready' (ie with their costumes under their uniform),
- children take all their belongings poolside so that the changing room can be cleaned before the children return to change after their lesson, and
- there are no water fountains available at the pool so your child must bring their own water bottle with.

Cost

We will be using our school Sports Premium to subsidise the lessons/travel by 50%. Therefore, this year we are asking parents to contribute £15 towards the cost of swimming for the lessons. Please pay via the school Gateway. By paying on the Gateway, you are giving consent for your child to attend.

Kit

Your child will need swimming trunks or sensible swimming shorts for boys (not baggy), or a swimming costume for girls (not separates). Your child will also need to bring a towel. All children with long hair must wear a swimming hat. It is preferred that children do not wear goggles, unless they have been taught breathing techniques, but children may wear them if absolutely required. There will always be the opportunity to wear goggles once they have developed their breathing skills. Swimming kit must be worn to school and underwear put in a named separate bag.

Expectations

We always expect children to behave in an exemplary manner. When out of school, children at Fair Field are superb ambassadors for our school. With swimming lessons, behaviour and attitude are directly linked to the safety of all pupils. Any child who behaves in an unsafe way or does not adhere to our high expectations will be removed from the lesson in the first instance, and then from swimming altogether.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Goodwin', written in a cursive style.

Mrs C Goodwin
Head of School