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Dear Parents

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Year 6 swimming lessons September 2021

The government recognises the importance of teaching young people swimming and water safety by including it in the national curriculum. The **three key outcomes** within the physical education curriculum all children are expected to achieve by the end of year six are:



****Drowning is the third most common cause of accidental death in children****

We have been able to secure a **weekly lesson** for identified pupils in Year 6. Lessons will take place on a Tuesday morning at Kingsbury School pool. Pupils will be transported there and back by coach. You will have received a text if your child is going swimming this term. Children should come to school dressed in outdoor PE kit with their swimming kit underneath and bring underwear to get changed into after swimming.

Specific guidance and requirements:

- Children with long hair **must have a swimming cap**
- Boys must wear tight fitting swimming shorts only- **strictly no surfer style baggy shorts**
- Girls must be in a 1 piece swimsuit
- Goggles are not required, but if you would prefer to provide your child with goggles, then a letter needs to be sent to the office stating this.
- If your child uses an inhaler they **MUST** bring it with them on a Tuesday as we are **unable to take children swimming without one**. Please make sure that this is clearly labelled with your child's name.

I strongly recommend that you ensure your child is supported and encouraged to attend these lessons.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Llewelyn-Cook
Headteacher