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Dear Parents

KS2 SWIMMING

I am pleased to confirm that swimming lessons for all of our Key Stage 2 pupils will start on Friday 4th November 2016. The children will be transported to and from Barry Primary swimming pool by Country Lion coaches, via a double run. All KS2 children will have lunch on first sitting on Fridays and Class 3 pupils will go swimming first at the start of the afternoon session, with Class 4 returning at the end of the school day.

Please ensure that you send a towel and swimming costume with your child on Fridays. Girls are advised to wear a one piece swim suit (rather than a bikini) and boys should wear trunks or short shorts as long shorts down to and below the knee are not suitable. In accordance with our PE policy, any items of jewellery, including ear-rings, must be removed. Pupils will be grouped according to their level of ability and colour coded swimming hats will be provided for each child. Replacement hats for ones that are subsequently lost or misplaced are available for 75 pence each from Mrs Ash in the school office.

Our school, in line with County policy, recommends that children do not wear goggles for school swimming lessons. This is because there is much time wasted in adjusting goggles to fit and a risk of eye injury if they are not worn correctly. If, however, your child has an allergy to the pool chemicals, or a related eye condition which requires goggles to be worn, we do <u>ask that you write a letter</u> explaining the reasons and include an assurance that he/she has been properly instructed in the safe use of them.

May I remind you that swimming forms part of the curriculum and all pupils are expected to participate in lessons. If there is a medical reason why your child is not able to swim on a particular occasion you are asked to provide written notification in advance. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to speak to me or your child's class teacher.

We look forward to achieving another 100% swimming attainment success this year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Janice Mardell Head-teacher.

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