



Dear Parents

23rd May 2019

Year 1 – Year 4 swimming at St Mary's

Our newly refurbished pool is due to open after half term. **Please can children bring their swimming kit into school from Thursday 6th June.**

School swimming will take place, weather permitting, **each day** for Years 1- 4.

Your child will need to bring into school each day:

- ☺ Swimming costume/trunks
- ☺ Swimming hat
- ☺ Towel
- ☺ Footwear suitable to walk to and from pool e.g. flip flops
- ☺ An old over-large t-shirt/extra towel or towelling robe to walk to and from the pool in - to keep them warm.
- ☺ Please ensure that all kit is **named** and that your child brings it **each** day even if the weather seems unsuitable!

Swimming hats (fabric type) are available to buy in the school office for £2.50. Swimming lessons are part of the National Curriculum and we expect the children to be prepared for their lessons. However, we know that sometimes a child is well enough to attend school but you may not feel that swimming is appropriate that day. In such cases please send a note to your child's teacher explaining why they may not swim.

Goggles – if your child swims with goggles they can bring them in their kit to use in the school pool, however, they must be able to put these goggles on themselves.

At the end of the term there will be **swimming galas** for children in Years 1 – 4. Parents are invited to come and watch. (Years **1 & 2**: Tuesday 9th July, Years **3 & 4**: Monday 8th July). The galas usually start at 9.20 am and last about two to two and a half hours.

Swimming Vouchers

If you would like to purchase a swimming pool voucher these are available to purchase from the school office. The cost will be £25.00 and will enable your child to use the pool after school during the week and to use the pool at certain times during the school holidays.