



Bapchild & Tonge CE (Aided) Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents

Swimming – Year 4

As you may be aware, we originally planned for the current Year 4s to go swimming in terms 5 and 6 of the academic year 2019/20. This was not possible because of the global pandemic and school/swimming pool closure. We clearly do not want this year group to miss out and it is also a requirement of the National Curriculum that all children at Key Stage 2 should be given the opportunity to swim 25 metres.

We have therefore organised the Year 4 children to have swimming lessons during Term 6 at Faversham Swimming Pools on Friday mornings for six weeks commencing **11th June 2021** until **16th July 2021**. The sessions will be held on **11th, 18th and 25th June, 2nd, 9th and 16th July 2021**.

The Department for Education (DfE) have allowed, from 12th April 2021, trips and activities to recommence but with clear control measures in place. This means that we will have to split the group in half with more instructors and clear changing routines. As a result, the cost of the coach, entrance to the pool and additional instructors means that the cost to the school has significantly increased to over £12 per child per session, however as a school we feel that this is unfair to ask parents to pay all of this. We are therefore asking you make a voluntary contribution of £6.50 per visit to cover these costs and the school will budget for the additional cost.

This can be paid weekly or as a one-off payment of £39.00. Cheques should be made payable to Bapchild & Tonge CE (Aided) Primary School or made via BAC transfer. The school's bank account details are as follows:-

Account Name: KCC Re Bapchild and Tonge CE Primary School
Bank: NatWest Sort Code: 60-60-08 Account No.: 79303587

If for any reason you are unable to pay the full cost, please do speak to me in confidence. **Please could you return the permission slip before 26th May 2021.**

Swimming is compulsory and no child will be excluded unless I receive evidence from a medical practitioner that it is unwise for them to participate. The children will need to bring their swimming costumes/trunks and a towel. They are not expected to take talcum powder and other similar products. Swimming hats are sensible because they prevent the children from having wet hair for the rest of the day, although these are not necessary.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Kelly
Headteacher



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Visit to Faversham Swimming Pool

Name of child

I give my permission for the above child to attend Faversham Swimming Pool on 6 occasions commencing Friday 11th June 2021.

- ☐ I will pay my voluntary contribution of £39.00 or
- ☐ I will pay my voluntary contribution of £6.50 per week

Signed
Parent/Guardian

Date