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Tuesday, 7th May 2024

Dear Families,

We're very excited today as our swimming pool has arrived on site. Taking this approach to cover our swimming curriculum means that we can truly maximise the opportunities that our children have to master this all important, and potentially lifesaving, skill.

As you'll know, we place a high importance on children developing their swimming skills. For a long time now, our lessons have started from Reception Class upwards. This offer will be the same this year but having our own pool, coaches and life guards on site means that we will have a maximum of 12 per group and we can target those who need to improve their basic swimming abilities whilst making sure that those with stronger skills also get their chance to shine.

We will have 'pop up' changing facilities and children will be supervised in the same way that they would if we were attending a leisure centre. You will not need to provide anything other than swimming kit, cap (if needed) and towel. Again, the arrangements will be the same as they have been previously. We'll just get to do a lot more swimming!

The benefit of this arrangement means there will never be more than 12 children in the pool at any one time, regardless of the size of your child's class. These new arrangements will enable us to maximise the progress of all children.

As for our Nursery School families, we will be offering you the chance to book sessions after school. Again, we'll share details as soon as we can.

Swimming for all children will start on Monday, 13th May. Mrs. Morris is finalising the timetable and we'll be sharing this with you shortly. As it will be groups from all classes, full attendance is essential over the next two weeks to ensure that children don't miss out on their curriculum entitlement.

We are prioritising swimming. We are Castleway.

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft Headteacher "Swimming teaches you the importance of patience and perseverance." –





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