



Swimming Arrangements
Summer 2019 - Early Years
Foundation Stage

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are very lucky to have such a lovely pool on the school site which is owned and run by Chudleigh Community Project. All children will have the opportunity to swim once a week and we are asking parents to make a voluntary contribution of £4.00 per child towards the cost of using the pool. I am sure you will agree this represents excellent value for money for 7 swimming sessions at 57p per session. Please note, the school pays for the use of the pool and all the staff supervising the swimming sessions are fully qualified in life saving techniques.

Payment of voluntary contributions are made through the School Gateway on-line payment system. Details and a link for the gateway are also available on our school website.

Week beginning Tuesday 4th June

Your child's swimming session will be:

- Wednesdays between 9:15AM - 10:50AM

Please ensure that your child has their named swimming kit and towels in school on a Thursday.

If you are able to offer help with supervision or changing please speak to your child's class teacher. Your help will be very much appreciated - no experience required - but you will need a current DBS Enhanced Disclosure Certificate (Police Check) to go into the pool. If you haven't got a DBS certificate and would like one please contact a member of the business management team urgently.

Please take note of our Safe Practice Policy detailed below. This follows Devon County Council and the Amateur Swimming Association guidelines.

The School's Code of Safe Practice

1. Children will not be allowed to swim if they have a severe cold or ear trouble.
2. If a child has an open sore, or has a foot or skin infection, parents must contact the teacher with details of medical treatment given. The teacher will use his/her professional judgement when deciding to allow children to swim.
3. Suitable swimming costumes must be worn which should comprise trunks for boys (**not knee length Bermudas as these are not conducive for good technique**) and one piece or tankinis for girls (no bikinis).
4. All jewellery should be removed before entering the pool environment.
5. Outdoor shoes must not be worn on the poolside. It is important for their own safety that teachers and helpers should also change into suitable slip resistant footwear.
6. Pupils who have long hair must wear caps or have hair tied back. (It has been found that wearing of caps by all children can add 20% extra life to a pool's filtration monitor).
7. The toilet must be used before pupils enter the pool.

8. Unless individual children suffer acutely from the effects of water chemicals, goggles should not be used. In the crowded environment of a small pool clashes of heads are possible and goggles can mist over causing a potential hazard. If a child needs to wear goggles for medical reasons, a note to that effect must be sent to the teacher.

If you have any questions regarding these arrangements please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Einzig-Pilling
P.E. Co-Ordinator
