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Dear Families

Hooray for Swimming! Karen our Caretaker is very hopeful that the swimming pool will be ready to be used during the early part of next week - thanks to her hard work and patience over the last few weeks - convincing us that summer must really have started! We are very grateful to the PTA for funding lots of new pool equipment, including floats and dive-sticks, which has now been delivered to school ready for children to use as part of their daily swimming sessions. Thank you to them all for providing those 'little extras' which will make sure children's water-confidence is given that extra boost in a safe and fun way. Please have kits on stand-by ready to hear from class teachers when lessons will start.

Meanwhile, here are a few things we ask you to keep in mind:

- Long hair must be tied back to keep vision clear and hopefully prevent too much loose hair ending-up in the filter. A swimming hat can be worn if preferred;
- Earrings MUST be removed for each session as they can easily come out in the water and children with lost earrings do get very upset. In addition, standing on an earring in the pool can be very uncomfortable;
- Girls require a one-piece bathing costume;
- A close-fitting t-shirt or rash vest may be worn for sun/wind protection;
- If your child has an open wound, verruca, upset stomach or diarrhoea, staff must be informed;
- Any young children who are not reliably clean and dry may be required to wear a swim nappy. Please discuss this with your class teacher;
- Please bring a swimming costume and towel, (goggles, t-shirt or vest.if required)
 in a waterproof bag ready to use;
- Swimming is part of our PE curriculum and because of this we would like all children to take part. However, we always give children a choice when the air temperature is on the cooler side; and
- A final point: Nursery children do not have a scheduled session for swimming. However, any Nursery parent is welcome to use our Pool with their child at the end of the morning (after 12.05pm). Please speak to Mrs Heard for more details.

As always, please speak with class teachers if you have any questions about swimming sessions. With fingers-crossed for warm and sunny weather next week,

Yours sincerely

Nigel Smale, Joint Headteacher

QUICK REMINDER: Sports Day Thursday 05 July 2018: adult lunch bookings need to be returned to school to be included by Tuesday 03 July 2018.