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Thursfield Primary School

We Care, We Share, We dare to Dream

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you that this year we are going to provide our swimming provision slightly differently. As we now have our own school minibus and access to the pool of one of our Trust schools at Hempstalls. We are going to use their superb facilities to benefit Thursfield children.

Children in Key stage 1 (years 1 and 2) will be replacing their fitness Fridays with 'Motivational Mondays'. During Monday afternoons children will complete a block of different sporting activities, one of which will be swimming.

Children will be in small groups of 14 and will travel to Hempstalls in our minibus. They will be accompanied by 2 members of staff who have completed their lifeguarding qualification.

We do appreciate that the new year 3 children will miss out during this transition, so they will swim at Hempstalls pool during the summer term 2019. Information and permission for this will be obtained at a later date.

Children will require a one piece swimming costume for girls, traditional trunks for boys, a hat (for anyone with hair shoulder length or longer) and a towel in a bag. Those children who have asthma must bring their inhaler onto the poolside for each session or they will be unable to swim. If goggles are required by your child, please read and complete the relevant section of the permission slip below. Staffordshire policy states that no earrings are to be worn whilst swimming, this includes studs and sleepers. Therefore, could those children with pierced ears make sure they are not wearing earrings at all on Mondays. If your child has verrucae they may still swim providing that they wear a latex swim sock or a plaster over the verrucae, and a clean sock over that.

Please fill in the attached form and return to school by Friday 7th September. If we have no response your child will be unable to go swimming.

We will send a text out when your child is due to swim.

Mrs E Bradbury

Headteacher

Parental Consent

Name _____

Class _____

I give permission for my child to attend Swimming Lessons at Hempstalls Primary School on Mondays and travel by minibus.

Signed Parent Please print name _____

Swimming goggles, if worn or used incorrectly, have been known to cause injury to the wearer and to other swimmers. Whilst every possible care will be taken, no guarantee can be given that the goggles will not cause an injury to the pupil.

I understand the problems which may be caused by my child wearing goggles during school swimming lessons. I have explained these to my son/daughter and I give permission for him/her to wear goggles.

Signed Parent Please print name _____

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