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*'Where Every Door is Opened  
and Every Gift Unlocked'*

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Dear Parents of Y6 children

## SWIMMING

As per the new statutory guidelines that children should be able to swim 25 metres unaided before they leave primary school, our swimming sessions for **selected children** will commence this year on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and then continue every Monday on the dates in the table below. This letter will provide you with information about what they will learn, steps you can take to help prepare them for their lessons and give you confidence about your child attending school swimming lessons in the current climate.

The aim of these lessons are to teach your child to:

- Swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25m and use a range of strokes effectively.

As a parent or carer you play a vital role in encouraging your child to swim and to help them to learn about water safety, survival and lifesaving before they attend their school swimming sessions to ensure that they get the most from each and every lesson. Swimming lessons are part of the national curriculum, so we do therefore expect all of the children to attend.

On the day, children can choose to come into school wearing normal PE kit with their swimming costume or bring their costume to change into at the swimming baths. They will need to bring a towel in a clearly named bag as these will be placed on the poolside whilst the children are swimming. At the request of Brio Northwich, it is preferred that boys wear swimming trunks and not shorts, and girls must wear one piece swimsuits and not bikinis for the lessons. It is recommended that the children do not wear goggles for their swimming sessions, however, if your child does need to wear them then we will expect you to give your permission on the School Spider survey.

Please give your permission for your child to attend these sessions by completing the survey on School Spider.

The following table indicates the dates and times that your child will attend their swimming lesson, initially for the Spring Term, but this may continue into the Summer Term.

Kind regards

Mrs T Parr

Spring TERM
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March

