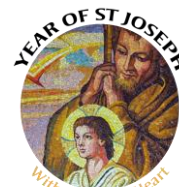




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Dear Parents/Carers

### **CHANGES TO SWIMMING LESSONS 2023-2024**

We are excited to inform you of some key changes occurring to our Physical Education provision at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School for 2023/24 and beyond.

In line with the National Curriculum for Physical Education in Primary Schools, and following pupil conferencing, all Key Stage 2 classes and Year 2 will have the exciting opportunity to go swimming for a term during the academic year.

Further to this, we will be offering 'catch up' sessions in the final term providing additional swimming opportunities for our less confident pupils.

The overview of our new provision is below:

| Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 | Term 4 | Term 5 | Term 6            |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Year 6 | Year 5 | Year 4 | Year 3 | Year 2 | Catch Up Sessions |

Our lessons will be held at The Pulse at Dursley on Tuesdays at 2:30pm - 3pm, allowing parents to collect their children from the pool at 3:15pm.

A detailed letter for arrangements will follow with each class, including options should your child(ren) be required to be at OOSC. In that letter, we will once again be asking for volunteers to help with lifts from school to the pool, to enable us to keep the cost of lessons at a minimum. At this time, we estimate, with volunteer drivers for transportation, the average cost per term, per pupil will be around £25.

Through the development plan of our swimming provision at the school being in part down to the pupil voice, we hope all parents will support these changes, and encourage children to participate, especially as it will form part of the children's weekly PE lesson allocation. Swimming is a fantastic way to be physically active as well as being an essential life skill, the staff at the Pulse are brilliant at ensuring that all children feel safe and inspired to achieve and attain more each week.

As always, thank you all so much for your continued support.

Kind regards

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