



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Diocese of Clifton

Inspiring everyone to **REACH** through
Faith, Hope, and Love

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With St Therese as our guide we do little things with much love to make a big difference for everyone.

Headteacher: Mrs Clare Howells

Dear Parents/Carers

9th October 2024

Swimming Lessons at Dursley Swimming Pool - Year 6: 19th November to 10th December 2024

"Water safety is a vital life skill, which is why it is a mandatory part of the curriculum for PE at primary school."

Department for Education (DfE) 2021

As part of the children's Physical Education, swimming lessons will be taking place on Tuesday afternoons on the above dates. In order for this activity to take place it is necessary for us to ask for a voluntary contribution to cover pool and, instructors. As you will appreciate, transport fees remain significantly increased and in order to keep the cost down we are asking if parents can help each week transporting the class. The cost of a coach each week is in the region of £160. If we have enough parent volunteers to transport the children then we can keep the cost much lower and the cost for the 4 sessions is £24.00. The cost for Y5 is slightly higher due to the small class, The Pulse have a minimum group size and we are calculating 3 instructors, as we are unsure of the ability of the group. After assessment if we only need 2 instructors then a refund can be given. Please pay via Parentpay by 19th November 2024. The Pulse sports centre is being refurbished at the beginning of November so this why the class are only going for 4 weeks, we were only informed of this earlier this month. If you are able to help with transport please let the Admin Team know asap as a DBS application will need to be completed before the lessons start.

Our swimming lessons will take place at The Pulse, Dursley at 2.30-3.00pm each week. Ideally parents will collect their children from Dursley pool at 3.15pm. We understand that it may be preferable for some parents to collect their child from the pool, however we will still be able to bring children back to the school after the lesson we just may be returning 5-10 minutes later than school finish time. Please indicate on the form whether you will be collecting from the pool or from school.

Children should have a swimming kit, hat, goggles and towel. No bikinis. The swimming pool must know of any medical conditions before the classes start. Please complete this information on the slip below. If you have any queries or concerns regarding payment, please contact the school office. Please complete and send in the slip below to the Admin Team by 4th November 2024.

Yours faithfully

Clare Howells - Headteacher

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SWIMMING LESSONS YEAR 5 (Nov to Dec 2024) RETURN SLIP

*I do/do not consent for my child to attend 4 x school swimming lessons at Dursley swimming pool and agree to pay £24.00 via Parentpay.

*I am/am not able to help with transport on the following weeks:

I can take children in my car.

*I will collect my child from school / The Pulse swimming pool

Any medical conditions:

*** Please delete as appropriate**

Signed.....

Date.....

