



Dear Parent/ Carer,

March 2026

We are pleased to inform you that swimming lessons are due to start for Year 4 pupils at the Basildon Sporting Village. As swimming is an important part of the curriculum, children are expected to attend. Lessons will be on a Monday morning (swimming from 9:15-10:15) between **13th April 2026** and **29th June 2026** (excluding 4th May 2026 and 25th May 2026).

In order to maximise the amount of time that children spend in the pool, we will be opening the doors to the year 4 classrooms at 8:30 on Monday mornings. We will be leaving the school at 8:45 to allow us time to get to the swimming pool and get changed before starting swimming at 9:15. If your child arrives to their classroom after 8:45, they will be unable to attend the session.

As a school, we fund the lessons and transport so there will be no charge to parents for swimming lessons. We do require permission for your child to attend the lessons and travel on the coach though. This can be done via the School Gateway App.

Pupils are unable to wear jewellery during these sessions so if your child is unable to take jewellery off themselves (especially earrings), we ask that you take it off at home before coming to school.

If your child has long hair, they may want to bring something in order to tie it up, as all pupils will need to wear a swimming hat. These are provided free of charge.

Girls are required to wear a one-piece swimming costume (no bikinis or two-piece costumes).

Boys are required to wear trunks that do not come past the knee.

If your child has a verruca, they need to wear a verruca sock.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child attending the swimming session, please do not hesitate to talk to your child's class teacher or contact me.

Many Thanks,

R Wade
Mr R Wade
Head of School