

# Willow Tree Community Primary School



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Dear Parent/Carer

## SWIMMING LESSONS

The pool is now open and swimming lessons for pupils will start next week. Swimming is part of the National School Curriculum and we are very fortunate to have our own pool that we can use for lessons.

The school swimming lessons aim to achieve the following objectives for your child:

- To develop water confidence and water safety skills
- To master basic stroke techniques
- To participate in enjoyable sociable activity
- To participate in activities which can help improve health and fitness

There will always be a lifesaver at the pool, either Mrs Shermer or Mrs Lister and Mrs Chan, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Sharratt all hold the 'Teacher as Rescuer' qualification.

All children must bring:

- A swim hat - these are available to buy from the school office for £1.30
- Swimming costume or swimming trunks. Swim shorts can only be worn if they are short (not long and baggy) as they impede strokes when children are learning
- A towel

Swimming kits must be clearly named and brought to school in a plastic/waterproof bag. *Please note:* **No earrings or other jewellery are allowed to be worn in the pool.**

All children are expected to swim each week. As with PE the rule is if you are well enough to be in school you are well enough to swim.

Please make sure they have their full swimming kit in school on swimming days.

Regards

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'H Davey'.

Mrs Davey