



Tuesday 15 September 2026

Dear Parents & Guardians

Year 5 Intensive Swimming Course

We are pleased to inform you that Year 5 pupils will be taking part in an **intensive two-week swimming programme** at **Cocks Moors Woods Leisure Centre** from **Monday 21 September to Friday 2 October**.

The swimming lessons will take place **each afternoon** during this two-week period and will provide children with an excellent opportunity to develop their confidence and competence in the water.

Swimming is a **compulsory part of the National Curriculum** in England. By the end of primary school, children are expected to be able to swim confidently, proficiently and safely over a distance of at least **25 metres**. This programme will help children to develop this important life skill and make progress towards meeting the national expectation.

To enable your child to participate fully, please ensure they bring the following items to school each day:

- A suitable swimming costume or swimming trunks
- A towel
- A separate bag for their swimming kit
- Goggles if required

For health and safety reasons, **jewellery should not be worn and long hair should be tied back**.

As swimming is a statutory part of the curriculum, **attendance is compulsory** unless your child has a medical condition that prevents them from taking part. If this is the case, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

We are confident that the children will enjoy this opportunity and benefit greatly from the intensive programme.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

A Crehan
Headteacher