

Swimming at Christ Church CE Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to announce that for the weeks beginning **17th and 24th May 2021**, Elite Sports Development Company will be bringing swimming to our school with their portable swimming pool. They will provide swimming opportunities to children across our school. A qualified swimming instructor will lead the sessions, supported by a lifeguard. All sessions will last for **30 minutes**.



Changing facilities

A changing marquee will be situated next to the swimming pool. Should the weather be particularly cold or wet, children will change in their year group toilets as an alternative.

Swimming attire

Children must wear the appropriate swimming costume which they may wear under their PE kit / joggers on the day of their lessons:

- Girls - a one-piece swimsuit.
- Boys - swimming trunks.

Bikinis or long, baggy shorts will not be permitted.

Health and Safety

Jewellery must be removed before entering the swimming pool, but if ear-studs have been newly put in, then they may be covered with a waterproof plaster.

Hair is to be tied back and neither swimming caps nor goggles should be worn. Please remember, that in the event of your child being involved in a hazardous water situation, it is extremely unlikely that he/she would be wearing goggles. It is best therefore that your child learns to swim without being dependent on goggles.

Timetable

Please ensure that your child has their swimming costume and towel in school on the day listed below.

<u>Week 1 (17.5.21)</u>	<u>Week 2 (24.5.21)</u>
Year 2 (Class 5) (water fun session) teachers will let parents know which day their child is in the pool Year 5 (each day) Year 6 (each day)	Year 2 (Class 6) (water fun session) teachers will let parents know which day their child is in the pool Year 3 (each day) Year 4 (each day)

After School Sessions

<u>Week 1 (17.5.21)</u>		<u>Week 2 (24.5.21)</u>	
3.30pm	4pm	3.30pm	4pm
Year 1	Y5 Non swimmers/water confidence. Parents will be contacted separately if their child is offered a place.	FS2	FS1

Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2

As this is a first for Christ Church, Infant children will all take part in one session for 'water fun' so that they can enjoy the benefit and excitement of our on-site pool and we can see how it works for them. Class teachers will let individual families know when their child's swimming slot is.

Key Stage 2 children (Y3-6) will all swim each day for a whole week.

We are confident that the swimming pool will be a great success and looking ahead to next year, we hope to increase the length of time we hire the pool. This will enable us to build in swimming lessons for Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 (Y1 and 2) if all goes well when they try it out this year!

This is such an exciting opportunity for all of our children to become more confident in the water, as well as improving their general health, fitness and well-being.

Thank you for your continued support.
The Christ Church Team