

4th September 2023

Y5 SWIMMING

Dear Parents,

As part of their PE curriculum this year, Year 5 children will take part in a series of swimming lessons at Shirley Swimming Pool. These lessons cater for all swimming abilities and are differentiated accordingly to suit the needs of your child. Please do not worry if your child is a non-swimmer; they will be taught to swim at a pace that suits them! The lessons will take place on Tuesday afternoons and each class will have 10 sessions in the following order:

Jaguars: Sept 12th – Nov 21st
Pumas: Nov 28th – Feb 13th

Please note that Jaguars' 1st session is **next Tuesday (12th Sept)**.

We will walk to the pool (regardless of weather), setting off at 12.55pm and returning at the end of the school day. Obviously on rainy days, children need to wear a suitable waterproof jacket and on hot days, hats and sun cream are advisable.

For their session, children will need a swimming costume/trunks, a towel and goggles (optional) in a suitable bag. Please name everything as I'm sure you can appreciate; a class load of towels and costumes can easily get muddled! Goggles are available to purchase at the pool. If you would like buy some for your child, you will need to send **£5** in an envelope labelled with your child's name on the day of their 1st session.

I will send out reminder letters nearer the time for the Puma sessions. Please do ask if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Phillips
Year 5/6 Phase Leader