

Thursday 21st May 2026

Y5 BOOSTER SWIMMING SESSIONS

Dear Parents,

As I'm sure you'll remember, Year 5 children took part in a series of swimming lessons at Shirley Swimming Pool. Unfortunately, following these sessions your child did not meet the national curriculum requirement of swimming 25 metres unaided. However, using our funding from the Primary PE and Sports Premium, we have been able to secure a block of six additional booster swimming sessions specifically to help those children achieve the national curriculum standard. These lessons will cater for the swimming ability of your child and will be differentiated accordingly to suit their needs. As before, the lessons will take place on **Tuesday afternoons** on 9th June, 16th June, 23rd June, 30th June, 7th July, 14th July 2026.

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. Please also make sure that your child has a water bottle to carry with them.

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 to 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.

Please do ask if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Craig Wilson and Helen Rayner
PE Leads