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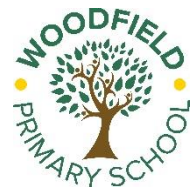
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Visiting Splash Mobile Swimming Pool

Dear Year 4 and 6 Parents and Carers,

I am excited to inform you that we have organised for a mobile swimming pool to visit Woodfield for 3 weeks following the Easter holidays: Monday 8th – Friday 26th April 2024. The visiting pop-up pool will be provided by Splash Swim School Ltd - a professional, well established swim school that has been delivering swimming lessons in the Wolverhampton area for over 20 years. The swim school currently gives lessons to over 1500 children a week in both school classes and community sessions.

This will be the first time we welcome Splash Swim School to Woodfield, and I am eager to see it set up on our junior playground. The pool will be heated to ensure that the temperature of the water is at the recommended level for children's swimming lessons and when in use, it will be monitored every 2 hours by the Swim School's qualified staff to ensure all the correct temperatures and chemical levels are maintained.

The aim of the 3-week intensive swimming lessons is to assess each child's swimming prowess in Year 4 – predominantly. Within the three-week timetable, Year 6 children will also be given the opportunity to access swimming instruction during afternoon times to ensure as many children as possible meet the National Curriculum guidelines of achieving the required swimming ability of 25 metres.

There are many benefits of using Splash Swim School as it means there will be no requirement for transport and time out of the classroom will be significantly reduced. Only minimal disruption will be brought to the children's learning timetable over the 3-week period. In addition, children selected for swimming instruction will benefit from a greater number of lessons than they would traditionally get in the normal term block of weekly lessons.

The children's swimming lessons will be led by qualified swimming instructors in lessons up to a maximum of 12 children. Following each lesson, children will be assessed alongside the primary swimming curriculum and their meeting of the 25-metre swimming requirement. We anticipate better than normal progress because of the intensive timetabled access to swimming lessons.

As previously referenced, the covered pool will be sited on the junior playground and will include changing areas for the children. Can we please kindly request that children with long hair, below the collar, be tied back and a swimming cap worn if possible. Thank you.

It is our intentions during the period Swim School are with us to regularly inform you if your child requires their swimming kit. As soon as children become confident with meeting the 25-metre requirement, instruction will continue to focus upon children not yet swimming confidently. We, therefore, appreciate your flexibility. Thank you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Mrs Bayliss as PE Leader, or Mr Broadley and Mrs Andrew as year group leaders. Children who will be selected for lessons immediately following the Easter holiday will be informed prior to breaking up. Thank you.

Yours sincerely, *S Arnold*

Mr S Arnold: Executive Headteacher