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**09 September 2019**

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Years 4 & 6 Swimming**

Swimming lessons for Years 4 & 6 will commence on Friday 13th September 2019 at Carn Brea Leisure Centre and these will continue each Friday for 6 weeks, the last session will be on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019. Children will travel by coach, leaving school at approximately 10am and returning in time for lunch. The lessons last 1 hour and I am proud to report that by the end of Year 6 nearly all our children leave being able to swim at least 25 metres unsupported. As is the case each year, I along with other staff accompany the children swimming to ensure the children are safe and happy.

We are therefore asking parents for a contribution of £5 per week. If you wish to pay for all sessions in advance the cost will be £30. Your contribution can be made via ParentPay or you can pay weekly, at the office and payment cards are available, if required.

Your child will need to bring with them each week a swimming costume, goggles and a towel in a suitable, named bag. Children who do not bring their kits will still be required to attend the sessions but observe the lesson.

Let me assure you that the school does not profit in any way by the contributions made by parents for swimming. I am aware that some parents each year question why it costs so much per session when you yourselves could take your child swimming for less. Of course the main difference for us taking the children is: the hire of the coach, the additional leisure swimming area and we hire qualified swimming teachers that 'teach' the children to swim.

As a school we believe in providing children with the option of going swimming but are unfortunately unable to pay for this, which is why we ask for a contribution. I do hope that you are able to provide a contribution to enable your child to go swimming.

As it the case with any educational visit, if we do not receive enough contributions we will regrettably have no choice but to cancel swimming for all the children which would be a great shame. As swimming forms part of the curriculum and takes place during the school day parents are not required to return a permission slip.

Thank you in anticipation of your support and we look forward to taking your child swimming this year. Should you object to your child attending swimming please make an appointment with the office to meet with myself to discuss your concerns.

Yours sincerely

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