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To parents of children in Year 5 re: swimming lessons

Dear Parents/Carers,

Starting on **Friday 24th September 2021** all children in year 5 will commence a ten-week block of swimming lessons at the Hive Pool. The lessons will take place every week with the exception of half term (Friday 29th October) with the final lesson taking place on Friday 10th December.

We have two half hour long slots at The Hive pool, from 9.30 to 10.00 for Sea turtles and Seahorses, and 10.00 to 10.30 for Dolphins and Starfish. Can you please ensure that your child comes to school prepared for each session. S/he will need a **swimming costume** and **towel**. Pupils with long hair should consider a **swimming hat**.

To facilitate the attendance of swimming lessons, we are asking for a parental contribution of £1.50 per week, £15 overall, please, for coach travel payable via parent pay in the link attached to the email. St Mary's covers any other costings for swimming lessons, including pool hire and specialist swim coach bookings. Since the relocation of the pool in recent years to further out of town, we feel coach travel ensures lessons are enjoyable (especially in the cooler months) and do not impede onto other curriculum lesson times too much. We are grateful for your support with this. Families eligible for Pupil Premium and Free School Meals are able to request financial support with this cost.

Before lessons begin, please could parents/carers also fill in the link sent on Microsoft forms below, so we can assess which swimming group would best fit your child for lessons, by **Friday 17th of September 2021** would be most appreciated!

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IN8UzBtljUyoVNIGkRXTWZvmLitKszhNgJmxlja9X1URFVYOUpDTUpSTFgwUVVOR1RSQjg4MzJQMMy4u>

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Greenwood

PE Co-ordinator