Oakmeadow Primary School
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Dear Parents and Carers,

After Christmas , we are pleased to offer swimming sessions to Year 3 which will be taking place at Shrewsbury School. We are pleased to promote our children meeting the end of key stage swimming attainment targets of:

- Swimming competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of **at least** 25 metres
- Using a range of strokes effectively, for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke.
- Performing safe self-rescue in different water based situations

In the current climate, we may not be able to take the children on many trips or events this term, however, in accordance with guidance and advice offered by the DfE, Swim England and the Association for Physical Education (AfPE), as well as via thorough research and risk assessment procedures through liaison with both the coach company and the provider, we will be able to run this curriculum offer safely.

To comply with the guidance, it has been agreed between all parties involved (Oakmeadow, Shrewsbury School and Minsterley Motors) that the swimming sessions will follow the following structure:

- Y3 as a cohort bubble will attend in two different blocks of 5 weeks starting on Tuesday 12th January. **Rabbits** will attend for the first 5 weeks **beginning Tuesday 12th January** followed by **Foxes** beginning after half term on **Tuesday 23rd February.**
- On the day of their swimming session, children will be required to come to school with their swimming shorts/costumes underneath their school uniform.
- All children will sanitise their hands upon leaving school and before embarking onto the coach.
- Children will sit apart on the coach according to social distancing measures where possible. Children will sanitise their hands upon leaving the coach using sanitiser provided by school.
- Upon arriving at Shrewsbury School, children will follow a one-way system to poolside where they will remove their uniform ready for swimming.
- Following the end of swimming sessions, children will change into their uniform in the changing rooms, overseen by 2 members of staff, and will then sanitise their hands upon leaving Shrewsbury School before getting back onto the coach.

- Children will re-sanitise their hands upon leaving the coach back at the Beeches Gate before re-entering school.
- Wet towels and swimwear will be stored in lockers and will need to be taken home with the children on the same day.

As this is part of the curriculum expectations and during a school day, attendance is an expected requirement of all children, However, if you do have any concerns or you envisage your child having a problem please contact myself on 01743 875020 or email admin@oakmeadowprimary.co.uk marking it for the attention of **Mr Ostermeyer Y3 swimming.**

Yours sincerely

Sam Ostermeyer

PE Coordinator