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Re: Year 4 swimming lessons – West Bromwich Leisure centre.

We have organised swimming lessons to take place every Wednesday afternoon starting on 14th September 2022. The aim is to teach your child to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25m using a range of strokes effectively. In addition to this, your child should gain increased water confidence and may be able to perform a safe self-rescue if ever they were in danger.

Children will be swimming in their respective classes and will leave school at 1.30pm and return by 3.30pm depending on traffic. **Mrs Wall's class will be going swimming the first half term for an hour, then Mrs Scott's class for the second half term, this will continue until July 2023.**

All children will be required to bring in their swimming bag:

- towel
- swimming costume/shorts
- swim hat
- optional - goggles

and wear school uniform every Wednesday. A swimming costume for girls is a must, no two-pieces can be worn. Swimming goggles will not be supplied but can be worn if desired. No jewellery is allowed in the swimming pool so if your child wears it, it should be left at home on swimming days.

Children will be taught by two qualified swimming instructors and a lifeguard will be on duty throughout the swimming lesson. All school staff will be on the poolside for the entire swimming lesson.

ALL children MUST wear a SWIMMING HAT. This is not our rule and is something we must adhere to ensure your children continue to have swimming lessons.

The leisure centre has offered to order them for your children for a charge of £1 or alternatively you can source your own. Your child will need to be seen in a swimming hat no later than Wednesday 29th September. If they do not have a swimming hat unfortunately they will not be able to swim.

With new guidelines on keeping information we also need your consent to share and store basic information (full name, any needs your child has and their developments at swimming), with the swimming baths. If you agree to holding and sharing this information for swimming lessons and understand that all information is stored safely, please sign below and return the slip to class teachers along with consent forms.

All paperwork is attached and needs to be signed and brought back to school before the end of term. Classes will be allocated time slots on a termly basis to make it as fair as possible and you will be notified each term via text.

Could you please complete and return the form and slips below along with the consent form attached.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Scott and Mrs Wall
Year 4 Teacher

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Child's name _____ Date _____

Your name _____ (Parent / Guardian)

Swimming ability (please circle):

Never been swimming swimmer Weak swimmer Moderate swimmer Confident swimmer

Has your child ever had formal swimming lessons at a leisure centre? Yes No

Has your child got any previous swimming badges? If so what badges?

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Information Sharing Consent for Swimming 2022/2023

I agree to my son/daughter (name) _____ information being shared and stored with West Bromwich Leisure Centre in case of emergencies and for them to be able to monitor progress accurately.

Signed _____ Relationship to Child: _____

Date _____

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Swimming Hat for swimming

Please order a swim hat for _____ .

I enclose £1

Signed _____