



Jennett's Park CE Primary School

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Year 5 Swimming - Summer Term 2026

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted to inform you that this year your child will take part in swimming sessions with the Bracknell Swimarium swim school as part of their Physical Education entitlement. We hope that they will enjoy and benefit from the swimming course.

Both classes will have lessons every Tuesday morning for **10 weeks**. The first lesson is on **Tuesday 14th April and runs until Tuesday 30th June** (excluding 19th May and 26th May for residential and half term).

The programme aims to achieve the following objectives for your child:

- To develop water confidence and water safety skills
- To master basic stroke techniques; to develop competent swimmers
- To learn personal survival techniques
- To participate in activities, which can help improve health and fitness

We will be travelling to and from the swimming sessions by coach.

Swimming forms part of the national curriculum for children, however this is not funded by any government grant and the cost to the school is significant. Therefore, we do ask for a voluntary contribution of £100.50 (£10.50 per week) towards the cost of weekly coach travel and qualified instruction for your child. This payment can be made in instalments via ParentPay under Year 5 Swimming, you can choose to pay weekly or at various increments that suit you. If you have any concerns or questions regarding payment, please feel free to speak to us in school.

Things to bring

All swimming items need to be carried to school in a named waterproof or plastic bag:

- A one-piece swimming costume or a pair of trunks/shorts (no Bermudas/long shorts/bikinis please)
- A swim hat
- A towel

Please note that swimming pool staff are very strict with the wearing of swimming hats. **All children** are required to wear one whilst in the pool and previously children have been unable to take part in the lessons without one. The children will have the opportunity to take part in personal survival lessons where they will be aske to bring additional clothing to wear in the water. Details will follow nearer the time. Please can children can wear their swimming costumes or trunks to school under PE kit to maximise time in the pool (please pack underwear to change into afterwards!).

Safety and Hygiene:

It remains policy that no jewellery should be worn in the pool. Where possible, all jewellery should remain at home, as we cannot take responsibility for these items which are to be left in the changing rooms. Children with







asthma should take their named inhalers onto the poolside and if necessary, use them before the lesson. All medication held in school will be taken with us by the staff.

Please remind your child that the swimming pool can be a potentially dangerous area and the importance of adhering to all pool and school rules.

Please complete the attached permission slip and return to the school office. If you have any queries or concerns about your child's swimming lessons, please feel free to ask a member of the Year 5 team or the office team.

I hope your child enjoys the swimming experience and benefits from learning this essential life skill.

| Yours sincerely, |
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| Miss Connolly & Miss Picton Year 5 Team |
| Y5 Swimming- Summer Term 2026 |
| Name of child: Class: |
| [] I give permission for my child to attend swimming lessons on Tuesday mornings (14^{th} April – 30^{th} June, excluding 19/5 and 26/5) |
| [] I am aware there is a offer on ParentPay where I can contribute the cost for my child to attend swimming (£100.50 or £50.02 for children receiving Free School Meals). I understand I can make small instalments or a one-off payment. |
| [] I do NOT give permission for my child to attend and have attached evidence that they are able to swim 25m such as a letter from their swim school or a signed, dated certificate. |
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| Signed: Date: |
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