



ST. MARY MAGDALENE'S
ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

A CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR ALL

15th November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

A national requirement is that every child who leaves primary school in Year 6 should be able to swim 25 metres unaided. Once again, we have commissioned Pools to Schools to provide our swimming curriculum. The pool has been built this week on site and will be in use for two weeks (week beginning 18th November and week beginning 25th November). We are hoping to get all of our children to experience swimming in the pool during these two weeks.

The girls will need a swimming costume (**no two pieces**), and a towel. The boys will need a towel and swimming trunks or shorts. Swimming caps are recommended if your child has long hair otherwise they will have very wet hair for the rest of the school day. These can be purchased from most sports shops, online and are also available from vending machines at the public swimming baths. The children may come into school wearing their swimming gear under their uniform, if it is their swimming day. However, this may be tricky, particularly for the girls in swimming costumes, in which case their swimming kit needs to be in a waterproof/plastic named swimming bag.

Children **are not** allowed to wear jewellery of any kind during their swimming lessons. Please could you ensure that your child does not bring any jewellery to school on the days of his/her swimming lessons. If you would like your child to wear goggles, we will need consent (please send a DOJO message to the class teacher). If your child is wearing jewellery or does not have appropriate swim wear, then your child may not be able to swim in the pool.

If you have any concerns, please contact Miss Hope at the school office.

Please watch out for the timetables on DOJO to see when your child will be swimming.

Regards,

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