

Swimming at St Mary's



We are very excited to be opening our swimming pool after the half term break.

During our first week back after the half term break, we will be running pool awareness sessions with the children so that they know what they will be doing, how to be safe and confident in the pool and on the pool side. They will not be going in the pool during this week.

Children will be starting swimming at St Mary's from Monday 14th June through until the end of term. The following items will be required for swimming in the pool.

- **Swimsuit/Trunks**
- **Towel**
- **Towelling robe or extra towel to keep warm whilst sitting on poolside**
- **Flip-flops/suitable swim shoes to walk to and from the pool**
- **Goggles if needed (please practice with your child so that they can put these on themselves)**
- **Swim Hat (please ask your child to practice putting their hat on and off) – children must have a swim hat to go into the pool. We have hats for sale in the school office, if needed.**

Reception Class

For Reception children the pool will be available (with parents on the poolside) on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 2.15 & 3.00pm. **Reception parents - please bring your child's swimming kit with you when you pick them up from class at 2.15pm as you will be able to get them changed by the pool.**

Years 1-4

Children in Year 1 through to Year 4 will be swimming most days during the week during school hours. The class staff will supervise them in the pool and the children will be able to develop their swimming skills and have fun.

Children in Years 1 & 2 are asked to bring in their swim kit every day **except Wednesdays** when they have PE, until the end of the summer term.

Children in Years 3 & 4 are asked to bring in their swim kit every day **except Tuesdays** when they have PE (Thursdays, they will swim as part of their PE), until the end of the summer term.

Kidszone

Any children who are attending Kidszone on a Wednesday will be given the option to swim in the pool under staff supervision between 4.30 & 6.00pm. As the children will already have their swim kits with them, they will be able to use these.

Help with heating & maintenance of pool

We would ask that families contribute towards the heating & maintenance of the pool by paying a £6 voluntary contribution per child at St Mary's for the sessions throughout the summer term.

Please send your £6 contribution to the school office.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Many thanks.