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Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Year 3 Swimming in April**

Your son/daughter will have the opportunity to swim at Rose Hill School pool for five weekly sessions this coming term. These sessions commence Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019, and continue until, and including, Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019.

We are incredibly fortunate to have been offered the use of the pool at Rose Hill School, and this means that without the need for a swimming coach each week, school is able to cover the minimal costs involved. Therefore, parents are not being asked for a voluntary contribution for swimming this academic year.

Please ensure that your child has suitable swimwear – one piece costume for girls, close fitting trunks (not shorts) for boys, and a swimming hat. Please note pupils will not be allowed to swim if they do not have a swimming hat. Long hair should be tied-up and earrings removed, any veruccas should be treated.

The Department for Education give clear guidance about swimming including the following,

'Swimming is a compulsory part of the current National Curriculum for PE. Within the law, parents do not have a right to withdraw their children from this statutory element of the National Curriculum.' *DfE website*

We look forward to enhancing the skills of Year 3 swimmers. Please email the school office with details of any badges, or swimming experience the school would find useful. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Owen  
Head Teacher