

13th June 2018

Dear Parents,

Year 1 and Year 2 will be visiting the Priory School for the next five Wednesdays for Swimming Lessons. Traditionally at Powell, swimming has been taught during Key Stage Two, but with swimming such an essential life skill, we have decided to extend lessons to Infant children too to ensure all children that leave the school are able to achieve the objectives outlined in the National Curriculum at the very least: to swim 25m, to use a range of strokes, and to perform self safe-rescue.

Year Two will swim from 9.30-10.30, Year 1 will swim from 10.30-11.30 each Wednesday, so children should arrive with their swimming costume (not bikinis or bermuda shorts please) underneath their school uniform. Please make sure they have a towel and underwear to change into with them too. Lessons will be taught by two teachers from Great Waves Swimming Academy, Alice and Grace, but class teachers and teaching assistants will be at the pool at all times too. Each child will be taught in a small group for an intensive twenty minute session.

Whether your child is a confident swimmer, needs lots of support or does not swim at all yet, we hope that they can develop their skills and confidence further over this five week period. If you have any questions regarding the sessions, please come and ask me.

Many thanks,

Mr Darke