

THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL A SPECIALIST SPORTS COLLEGE

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Dear Parent / Carer

As the Curriculum Leader for Physical Education and on behalf of the PE team, we do hope the year so far has been a successful and enjoyable one for your child within Physical Education.

Furthermore, I am writing to inform you that your child will begin swimming lessons after half term, week commencing 28th February 2022. Their PE teacher will inform them which PE lesson will be swimming before we break on Friday 18th February, however the timings/days are as follows:

<u>Group</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	Swimming Slots
7N1 PE	Mr Ribbans	Week A Friday Period 1 Week B Friday Period 1
7S1 PE	Miss Collie	Week A Friday Period 5 Week B Tuesday period 5 & Friday period 5 (3 out of 4 lessons swimming)
8N1 PE	Mr Ribbans	Week A Tuesday Period 1 Week B Monday Period 1
8S1 PE	Miss Collie	Week A Wednesday Period 1 Week B Thursday Period 1
9N1 PE	Mr Ribbans	Week A Monday Period 5 Week B Wednesday Period 1
9S1 PE	Mr Lagdon	Week A Thursday Period 1 Week B Tuesday Period 1

For their swimming lessons, your child will require:

- Swimming costume/swimming shorts (no bikini or long board shorts)
- Towel
- Hair tie (if required)
- Inhaler (if required)
- Swimming hat (if desired)
- T shirt (can be worn poolside but not in the pool)
- £1 coin for the lockers

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They will be escorted over to Swan Pool Leisure Centre before the lesson, where the teacher will sign them in at Reception. They will then be escorted to the changing facilities to get changed. They will have the use of the showers and a locker during their swimming lesson. There are suitable hair dryers and mirrors available for use after the lesson, but we encourage the students to change quickly in order to use them.

As always, the students will represent the school whilst offsite, so we expect their behaviour at all times to be exemplary. If they choose to misbehave or not follow instructions, they will be removed from the lesson and sanctioned accordingly. Whilst I do not expect this to happen, it is a reminder that we are extremely fortunate to have the ability to access swimming lessons and we highly value having swimming on our PE curriculum.

If you have any concerns or queries regarding the swimming lessons, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation and I truly hope your child grasps the opportunity to swim during their time here at The Buckingham School.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Ribbans Curriculum Leader for PE <u>jribbans@buckinghamschool.org</u>

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