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Swimming Lessons for Hawthorn

Dear Parents & Carers of Hawthorn Class,

As part of our PE curriculum, our Year 5 children have the opportunity to have swimming lessons at the Laura Trott Centre. Hawthorn class will be swimming first this year.

Hawthorn class will start their lessons on **Thursday 10th September 2026 and will finish on 4th February 2027.**

As we only have two classes in the year group, each class will do a term and half of swimming, 18 lessons.

The lessons will take place at The Laura Trott Leisure Centre on Thursdays between 11.00am and 11.30am. The children will be in the pool for 30 minutes. The children will be split into groups. These groups will reflect the ability and the confidence of each child and be determined by the swimming instructors.

Children will be walking to and from the pool each week so please ensure they have the relevant clothing and footwear according to the weather. Children will need to wear their PE uniform to school and bring their swimming kit in a bag.

The children will need to bring suitable swimwear and will require the following things:

- Girls - one-piece swim suits
- Boys - swimming trunks/jammers (not long beachwear)
- A towel
- A hat (this is compulsory for everyone)
- Long hair must be tied back on these days and earrings removed
- Optional – goggles

Swimming for Hawthorn class will take place on the following dates:

10th September, 17th September, 24th September, 1st October, 8th October, 15th October, 22nd October, 5th November, 12th November, 19th November, 26th November, 3rd December, 10th December, 7th January, 21st January, 28th January and 4th February. **18 sessions in total.**

Guidance from the Department for Education, states that swimming is a statutory part of the curriculum in primary schools and therefore all children need to participate in these swimming lessons. The swimming lesson will form one of the children's PE lessons each week.

The cost charged by The Laura Trott Leisure Centre for each half an hour swimming lesson is £3.20 per child, which is considerably lower than the normal price of lessons at The Laura Trott Leisure Centre.

We are therefore asking parents for a voluntary contribution for the 18 sessions of £57.60.

What you need to do to ensure your child can go swimming:

- 1. Log onto your Arbor App and give consent for your child to attend the swimming lessons by Wednesday 9th September. We will not be able to take your child if we do not have consent to do so.**
- 2. Please make payment of £57.60 on the Arbor App. We will leave the payment option open until Friday 11th December for you to make the payment. We will set up the payment where you are able to pay a little bit at a time up until the date above, if you so wish or you can make the full payment in one go.**

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via email on: sport@brooklandjm.herts.sch.uk

Kind regards,

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