



West Kirby Primary School

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Dear Parents

Class 3/4 and Class 4 are due to begin their swimming sessions next week.

This year we will be operating our swimming sessions differently to how we have done previously. Many schools on the Wirral go for 10 consecutive days rather than a set number of consecutive weeks. The impact on the children's ability to swim has shown to be greater when they swim each day, and the swimming instructors have reported that the children have made more progress. We will still be swimming at The Concourse and the children will go with their class, rather than year groups so that they get the full 10 sessions.

Class 3/4 (Mr Wilson) and Class 4 (Mrs Boothman) will go swimming **every** afternoon for 10 consecutive days, starting on Monday 11th September. The final swimming sessions for Class 3/4 and Class 4 will be on Friday 22nd September.

Class 3/4 will leave school at 1:35pm and will be in the water 2:00-2:30pm

Class 4 will leave school at 2:05 and will be in the water 2:30-3:00pm

In order to adhere to our Health and Safety ratios we will need volunteers to assist us walking the children to and from The Concourse, if you are available on any days we would appreciate your help. Please arrive at The School Office in time for the children leaving - we are always more than happy to have more walkers than we need.

Please provide a bag for your child to carry their kit in and to keep their clothes in when at the Concourse. Your child will need to have a clean swimming kit in school each day for the 10 days that they are swimming.

The kit they will need is as follows:

Boys: towel, swimming trunks (not baggy shorts)

Girls: towel, full swimming costume (no tankinis or bikinis)

Your child may also wear swimming goggles if they wish but please ensure that they do not bring either shampoo or spray deodorants with them.

We also request that your child does not wear earrings to school on the day. They will be asked to remove them and be responsible for keeping them safe. The Concourse has asked that plasters not be worn as they can come off in the water.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Takashima
Headteacher

