Year 2 Parents' Swimming Briefing – January 2018

Funding Arrangements

- Paid for from PE and Sport Premium Funding details can be found on the website.
- Year 2 swimming is an addition to our current swimming provision.
- National Curriculum requirements are that by the end of Year 6, children can swim 25m unaided. Starting swimming in Year 2 allows us to ensure that children have the best chance of meeting this requirement, regardless of their initial starting point.

Travel

- Year 2 children will travel on a bus/coach supervised by 5 adults.
- We are planning for all 30 children to swim during the same session, mixed between the learner pool and the main pool.
- The children will be supervised by a member of school staff and qualified swimming teachers/lifeguards whilst in the water.

Changing

- KS2 children use the school changing area at the pool. Year 2 children will change in same-sex pairs in the cubicles. All children will change within the same area of the changing room and this area will be supervised by members of school staff.
- Children's bags will be stored in the lockers at the pool and will therefore need to be large enough to store all of their belongings, including shoes and coats.

Teaching

- Most children will be taught by a member of pool staff; some will be taught by Mr Crinall (ASA Level 2).
- The teaching staff at the pool are qualified swimming teachers (ASA Level 1/2).
- All of the pools are supervised by qualified lifeguards (NPLQ).
- Children will be tested the first week to place them into ability groups and ensure that they are swimming in a safe and supportive environment, whilst also being stretched to their potential.

Uniform

- Children will need to wear their swimming costume to school on Fridays, with their school PE kit over the top (tracksuits and sweatshirts recommended, dependant on weather) available from the School Association Uniform Cupboard.
- All children should swim in plain black school swimming costumes/trunks (boys should swim in black briefs or jammers and not 'surf style' shorts).
- All children must wear a BP swimming hat.

Parent Volunteers

- To help us ensure that the children are fully supervised during the journey to and from the pool, we will need to request 2 parent volunteers to accompany Year 2 children.
- Thank you in advance to all of the parents who volunteer their time; it would very difficult for us to run these sessions without your support.
- Parents are only required to actively supervise children on the journey to and from the pool.
- When arriving at the pool, children will make their way to the changing village, supervised by school staff. Parents should make their way to the café/balcony area; they are requested to not enter the changing village.
- If you have signed up to a slot, and are no longer able to accompany the children, please let the school office know as soon as possible. It would also help if you are able to find a parent who is able to cover the slot.