



January 2023

Dear Parent and Carers,

## YEAR 5 SWIMMING:

Swimming is an important requirement of the National Curriculum at Key Stage 2 and all children are required to take part and demonstrate their ability to swim a certain distance. We have arranged for all the Year 5 pupils to have a comprehensive set of swimming lessons to develop their confidence in this essential life skill.

The lessons will take place during the school day, every Tuesday afternoon at Polam School. Each Year 5 class will receive four lessons, with each lesson being 1 hour and they will be taught by qualified swimming instructors. The children will be transported to and from the site by coach and accompanied by members of the GGA staff. Every effort will be made to get them back to school by 3pm. All pupils will require the following equipment:

- Swimming costume,
- Towel,
- Hair ties (long hair needs to be tied back securely),
- Waterproof bag,
- NO jewellery must be worn or covered up. Please remove and leave at home for safekeeping.

The majority of the cost of the swimming lessons is covered by the school but we are asking for a £10 voluntary contribution towards the cost of transport and lessons. This should be paid by ParentPay. We also require you to complete the attached questionnaire so the school and the swimming coaches can measure the swimming competency of your child and ensure they are supported appropriately.

Holly Class: Swimming lessons from 10<sup>th</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup> January.

Coconut Class: Swimming lessons from 7<sup>th</sup> February – 7<sup>th</sup> March.

Monkey Puzzle Class: Swimming lessons from 14th March – 18th April (first Tuesday available after Easter holidays).

Please sign the permission slip and complete the swimming ability questionnaire attached and return to school by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Before signing this Consent Form it is important that you understand that,

- 1. While the supervisory adults in charge of the group will take all reasonable care of the young person, neither they, nor the Academy, can necessarily be held liable in respect of loss of or damage to the property or injury suffered by the young person arising out of the educational visit/journey, unless such loss, damage or injury results from the negligence of Goldington Green Academy, its employees or official volunteers, and
- 2. That you read and understand the extent and limitations of the insurance cover provided.

If you would like to see a copy of the risk assessment for this visit please ask at the school office.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 Team.

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YEAR 5 SWIMMING PERMISSION SLIP

## PLEASE RETURN TO CLASS TEACHER:

CHILD'S NAME: ..... CLASS: .....

I give permission for my child named above, to travel by bus to Polam School to take part in swimming lessons.

Signed: ..... Parent/ Carer

Date: .....



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