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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 5 Swimming – 2026/2027

We are delighted that all Year 5 children will have the opportunity to swim at the Bourne Leisure Centre pool next academic year. Children in class 5W will swim during Terms 1 & 2, and children in class 5F will swim during Terms 5 & 6 (further details for 5F will follow at a later date). The first session for 5W will be on Wednesday 9th September 2026 and weekly on Wednesdays thereafter. Our last session of Term 2 will be on Wednesday 2nd December 2026.

During the lessons three qualified swimming teachers teach the children and follow a programme which is both instructive and enjoyable.

The children will need:

- Swimming hat. Please provide your child(ren) with a swimming hat to be brought to school with them each week. Hats can be purchased from a retailer of your choice.
- Swimming costume. Please note no bikinis may be worn and shorts should be above the knee
- Towel
- Something to tie long hair back with if necessary
- An appropriate bag
- To remove earrings **before** the lesson

I am delighted to be able to advise you that the cost of swimming lessons at the Leisure Centre will be met from school funds. As a Trust we continue to be committed to helping children to develop this important life skill. However, we should make it clear that should our funding situation change in the future we would need to review the situation again.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of the coach of £59.28 per child (please note, this is for two terms and equates to £34.58 for Term 1 and £24.70 for Term 2). **Payment should be made by ParentMail +Pay for Term 1 by Friday 4th September and Term 2 by Friday 23rd October 2026.** Payment details for 5F will follow at a later date.

We would welcome support from parents/carers to travel with us to and from the swimming pool with the children. If you can't commit to every week that's absolutely fine – we'll create a rota based on volunteers' availability. Please contact the front office if you are able to support us – thank you.

Yours sincerely
The Year 5 Team