



December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to inform you that Indigo Class will be taking part in swimming lessons on Monday afternoons, starting on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024. The final swimming lesson for Indigo Class will be Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024. The swimming lessons take place at Yearsley Baths and the children walk there and return to school by 3:20pm.

Currently all swimming lessons are heavily subsidised by Park Grove School and we will continue to honour this for as long as we can. We have split the year up equally between all Key Stage 2 classes (taking account of training days, bank holidays etc.) to ensure that all KS2 children have the chance to swim. In order for us to run the swimming lessons, with the appropriate ratio of swimming coaches and teachers, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £20 per child. Without these contributions we will be unable to offer these valuable swimming lessons to all Key Stage 2 children. Park Grove already contributes a significant amount towards these lessons which are staffed by qualified coaches in order to keep the cost down for parents. If parents don't pay it really adds to the amount we have to contribute and our budget is already tight. We really believe in the importance of giving all of the KS2 children the lessons but many schools only do this for Y6 because of the cost. We want to continue to give the lessons to all KS2 children but I'm sure you can appreciate how difficult it will be for us if parents don't contribute.

We are sure that you will agree that this is excellent value for something so important.

We have moved consent and payment for swimming online. Please login to your Parent Pay account at <https://www.parentpay.com/> to give permission for your child to attend the swimming sessions and to make the £20 contribution. We'd appreciate this by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024. If you require access to Parent Pay, please contact the school office.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Kind regards,

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