



Howard Primary School

19th October 2022

Dear Year 4 Southwark Bridge Parent / Carer,

Children in Year 4 Southwark Bridge class will be starting swimming lessons at Whitgift school, as part of their P.E curriculum. Their first lesson will be on Tuesday 8th November 2022.

Southwark Bridge Class will swim each Tuesday throughout next half term on the following dates:

Tuesdays 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th November and 6th and 13th December 2022

Please can you make sure that your child brings a swimming costume (NOT a bikini for girls and NOT long shorts for boys), towel and, if they have long hair, a swimming hat all in a bag that can be easily identifiable. Children will be taught how to swim and no prior knowledge of how to swim is needed.

Children will be assessed the first week and then put into suitable groups with no child entering the deep end unless they can swim a length unaided. A trained lifeguard will also be present.

Please remind your child to bring their swim kit into school on a **Tuesday morning** every week unless you are advised that the swimming lesson is cancelled. It is important that your child attends these lessons as they form part of their PE curriculum. The aim is for all children to become competent swimmers - a necessary life skill.

Whitgift School charge Howard Primary School to take the children swimming but we do not pass these costs on to you. These swimming lessons can cost anything up to £100 per term so getting them free of charge through school is an opportunity not to be missed!

We also ask that your child does not bring any aerosol deodorants or sprays when going swimming. The changing rooms are small and sprays can aggravate children who have breathing difficulties.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact us.

Many thanks,

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