

Park Lane Prímary & Nursery School

Executive Head: Rob Litten **Deputy Executive Head:** Rachel Bains

April 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 3 & Year 4 Swimming at the Manor Leisure Pool, Whittlesey

Wednesday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd May, 5th June

As you are aware the Physical Education National Curriculum 2000 requirements include swimming as part of the children's education. We are fortunate to still have exclusive use of the Manor Swimming Pool every Wednesday morning and are able to offer our children the opportunity to participate in a course of five 30 minute lessons in small groups over a 5 week period. The children will be walked to and from the pool supervised at all times by school adults.

The sessions are led by Mr Ingham and incorporate both the ASA and Cambridge Schemes of work to form a Park Lane swimming syllabus. We hope that this will help to improve the pupil's swimming ability whilst working within the parameters of the National Curriculum. This year in order to aid the development of the children, we have decided to use 2 fully qualified swimming teachers, who are supplied by the Manor Leisure Centre. We hope that this will have a significant impact upon the progress the children will make.

Under Health and Safety requirements at the swimming pool we are asked to notify the pool staff of any relevant medical conditions of pupils. As additional safety measures we also ask that all children wear a swimming cap, which can be purchased, from school for £1.00 and no swimming shorts below the knee.

It is anticipated that your child will participate in this course of lessons but as funding for this activity is not covered by our school capitation we must ask for a voluntary contribution of £7.50 to cover the cost of pool hire, administration and the use of the swimming teachers.

At a recent meeting of the Rotary Club of Whittlesey, local primary schools all received payments from the Quinion Trust, which was set up in memory of Reverend Quinion, the Rotarian, councillor and school governor. Park Lane received £654.00, which means the voluntary contribution we are asking for this year is significantly less than previous years.

Please make payment of £7.50 through the school online system at www.schoolgateway.com by **Tuesday 30th**April ensuring that you click on the consent box. Please ensure you provide details of any medical conditions in the comments box (or alternatively advise the class teacher), along with the level of swimming your child is currently working towards if they participate in out of school lessons. This will help us to group the children into ability groups.

If you are free to help walk your child's class to and from the pool, please contact your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

Mr P Ingham

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