

# **Together we Nurture, Inspire and Achieve**

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Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to inform you that your child will be participating in Tees Active School Swimming Programme at Ingleby Barwick Leisure Centre from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

Please find below information about the swimming lessons from Tees Active School Swimming.

Children will be placed in groups according to their ability and will participate in a 45-minute lesson everyday over a 2-week programme.

Lessons are delivered by Tees Active School Swimming Teachers (Swim England Level 2 Swimming Teachers) assisted by school staff. The pools will be supervised by fully qualified RLSS Pool Lifeguards.

School swimming lessons are part of the National Curriculum and therefore it is kindly requested that parents do not attend the pool specifically to watch their child participate in school swimming lessons. This often causes more of a distraction to the child and their class mates.

Our aim is to remove as many barriers as possible so that children can enjoy their lessons. The following information should help you prepare for your child's lessons.

#### Swimwear

- Girls one-piece swimsuit
- Boys swimming shorts or trunks (no long/baggy shorts or football shorts please)
   If required, a close fitting/dark coloured t-shirt/leggings can be worn over the top of appropriate swimwear.

#### **Towel**

• You may also want to pack a smaller towel for your child to stand on whilst they get dry















### Goggles

- If using goggles, children must be able to put them on independently
- Please be aware that elements of the school swimming programme will at times require
  the children to remove their goggles. Teachers may also request for goggles to be
  removed whilst instructions are being given, to ensure they have eye contact with
  children.

## **Swimming Hat**

 Hats are not compulsory, but it is strongly recommended that children with longer hair wear a hat to avoid potential problems occurring during their swimming session

### Pyjamas (Day 10)

• During the 2 weeks of lessons, your child will be asked to swim in pyjamas as part of our water safety programme.

# Jewellery

- Jewellery should be removed before swimming to prevent any injury to either your child or another swimmer.
- In the case of newly pierced ears, Tees Active will not stop your child from swimming. However, we will support the advice given by your child's school in this situation.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Alison Morgan Head Teacher











