Harvington C.E. (Controlled) First & Nursery School
Tel: 01386 870412

11th September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

Swimming lessons begin at Evesham Leisure Centre on Thursday 24th September 2026, this half term Year 4 will swim for 10 weeks.

Swimming lessons are part of the school curriculum. Children are taught by a swimming instructor and supported by school staff. It is school policy that children attend swimming lessons with their class. We apologise that parents and family are not able to watch lessons as this compromises our safeguarding policy.

Please could you send your child to school with their swimming costume/trunks on under their school uniform.

We ask for a contribution of £41 to cover the cost of ten lessons. This is a contribution towards the cost of transport, the swimming instructor and lifeguard. As we are now a cashless school, please use the ParentPay system (ideally £41 for the term) or £4.10 weekly.

The school is able to offer swimming lessons to children eligible for Pupil Premium Grant funding at 50% of the cost. The rest of the payment will be funded from the Pupil Premium Grant fund.
If you are eligible for Pupil Premium Grant funding the cost of each swimming lesson will be £2.05 with total cost being £20.50 for 10 lessons.

The Local Authority has issued the following Health & Safety information for parents regarding the wearing of goggles:

a) Only buy goggles to BS5883 (1996) from a well-known manufacturer. This will ensure that the rims are well padded, with no rough edges. Cheap goggles may splinter easily.
b) Before use, goggles should be rinsed in the pool. This helps to prevent "misting up". If they fill with water or "mist up" in use, remove them completely to clear. To remove goggles, **only** push them up and then off the top of the head. **Never** pull goggles forward or they may fly back and cause serious eye injury.
c) Goggles should not be used in a crowded pool. Even under normal use, wearing of goggles may lead to collisions with the poolside or with other swimmers. Goggles must never be worn when diving. Even plunging in from the poolside, wearing goggles should be restricted to expert competitive swimmers.
d) Accidents are caused by people who do not know the dangers of using goggles incorrectly. Pupils must never pull goggles away from their own eyes, nor interfere with goggles worn by anybody else.

Please return the attached slip by Thursday 17th September 2026.

Yours sincerely

Becky Enstone
Acting Headteacher

Reply Slip – return by Thursday 17th September 2026.

1) I give permission for my child ..... to attend swimming lessons.

   Yes ☐ No ☐ (if no, please give reason why .....)

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☐ I have made full payment of £41 through ParentPay or £20.50 if eligible for Pupil Premium Grant Funding

☐ I will pay £4.10 a week for 10 weeks through ParentPay or £2.05 if eligible for Pupil Premium Grant Funding

   Parent/Carer signature ..... Date .....

2) I wish my child ..... to wear swimming goggles for swimming lessons.

   Parent/Carer signature ..... Date .....

3) During some lessons, the professional swimming instructor may need to enter the water to assist and teach your child.

   I am happy/I am not happy for the swimming instructor to enter the water to assist my child (please delete as appropriate).

4) I understand and agree to support the school safeguarding policy by not attending swimming lessons unless asked to do so.

Parent/Carer signature .....

Date .....