



St. Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Monday, 11th September, we will commence our swimming lessons for this year. The timetable for your child's class lesson is on the back. So all parents/guardians are informed of the requirements for swimming please read the information below carefully:

• **PLEASE ENSURE ALL YOUR CHILDREN'S CLOTHES/TOWEL/BATHERS/GOGGLES ARE MARKED CLEARLY WITH THEIR NAME.**

- All children will be changing at the pool after their lessons - so children will need to bring their uniform/underwear to the pool in a plastic bag; this also allows wet towels and bathers to be carried home in the same bag. Parents are only able to help their own child/ren change - written permission must be given to help change a child other than your own. It is expected that children in the higher grades will not need assistance. All children will change in the same change rooms to help with supervision.
- As time is of the essence between classes coming and going - only those children with a medical condition will be able to shower after their lesson - please write to your classroom teacher to advise them of this. If your child needs to wear earplugs please advise your class teacher. It would be advisable to ensure your child is aware of how to place the earplugs in their ears in case they should fall out during a lesson. If children are unable to place earplugs in then parents must make suitable arrangements. It is also advisable to provide children with goggles, as the chlorine water can make eyes quite sore.
- Children can wear thongs or slip-ons to and from the pool as we have found over the years socks and shoes tend to be our 'favourite' missing items. Children will need to bring their joggers to school, however, so that they can change into them once back.
- Children who have lessons at the start of the day should wear their bathers under their clothes as they will not have a lot of time to get changed. Those with lessons later in the day will be able to change into their clothes at recess time.
- Parents are able to watch their children down at the pool, however, we do ask that you do not provide children with any food or drink from the kiosk. Parents will be required by AQUA Jetty to pay a fee for entrance into the pool and must enter through the correct gate not, through the schools entrance with the children. **NO PHOTOGRAPHY IS PERMITTED** in Aqua Jetty and this is also covered by St Bernadette's code of conduct.
- If parents would like to discuss the progress of their child, then please speak directly, or write a letter, to the swimming teacher or the head instructor-not to the class teacher. Please remember that there is not much time between lessons so the swimming teacher will not have a lot of time before needing to go to the next class.
- Children's recess and lunchtime may be changed due to swimming - in some cases they may be earlier or later than usual. Please check with your class teacher to discuss the arrangements that have been made.
- It is highly recommended that children with long hair have it tied up in a plait. This tends to be easier for the child in the water and easier to squeeze dry.

- Children who are not going swimming, due to a Medical condition and have supplied the school with a certificate, may travel to spectate.

If you have any queries with the above please contact the school immediately.
Thank you

Michael O'Dwyer
Assistant Principal

Class Swimming Times :
Swimming Lesson Start Times Classes

Swimming Times

9:55 - 10:35

PP Blue, 5 Red

10:45 – 11:25

PP Red, 1 Red, 5 Blue,

11:30 – 12:15

2 Red, 3 Blue, 4 Red,

12:40 – 1:20

1 Blue, 3 Red, 6 Blue,

1:25 – 2:05

2 Blue, 4 Blue, 6 Red,