



October 2015

Dear Parents and Carers

This letter is a quick reminder of which year groups are swimming up to Christmas.

At Joy Lane we are extremely fortunate to have this wonderful resource on site and I am sure you will agree that the children benefit immensely and learn an essential life skill that will stay with them forever. The Governors and Headteacher feel the lessons offer extremely good value for money and therefore will continue to subsidize the cost of school lessons to ensure the high quality teaching continues. Our first priority is keeping your child safe and therefore as a school we are committed to increasing the number of children who are able to confidently swim and see this as being particularly important given the school's location close to the sea.

This year our swimming programme follows the Amateur Swimming Association National Plan of teaching swimming in recognised stages from 1-7 plus advanced stages 8-10 alongside awards for rainbow distance 5 metres onwards. These levels are recognised qualifications at swimming schools across the country. We propose to offer consultations with your child's swimming teacher so that you are informed of the progress they are making during their lessons. You will also have the opportunity to purchase the relevant certificates and badges during the school year if you would like.

I would like to thank all families within the Joy Lane Primary School community who support swimming lessons which is obviously essential in allowing us to make swimming cost effective. I would also like to remind you that 74% of parents and carers who responded to our most recent questionnaire believe that £40-£50 is an acceptable financial contribution towards a year's swimming lessons.

Once again, we offer three different payment options for your child's swimming lessons.

**Payment based on number of children at Joy Lane Primary School in Years 1 - 6**

One pupil	£45 per year
Two pupils	£60 per year
Three pupils or more	£80 per year

**Pupils in Years 1 – 6**

	1 Pupil	2 Pupils	3 Pupils or more
Weekly Payment	£2.25	£3	£4
Termly Payments	£15	£20	£30
	£15	£20	£25
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# OYSTER BAY COMMUNITY SWIMMING POOL

Payments can be made either in cash, a cheque payable to 'Joy Lane Primary School' or via the School Gateway on-line payment system.

## Swimming Timetable Term 2 (3<sup>rd</sup> November to 18<sup>th</sup> December 2015 )

Monday	Oysters Autism Provision	12.50 pm – 2.50 pm
Wednesday	Year 4	1 pm – 3 pm
Thursday	Year 5	1 pm – 3 pm
Friday	Year 6	1 pm – 3 pm

**Please note information regarding swimming lessons for our Reception children will be shared in Term 2.**

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that swimming is part of our school enrichment curriculum, therefore if your child has a medical reason for not attending swimming lessons then please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher to discuss the issue.

Finally, may I remind you that if you would like to discuss swimming pool payments privately, then please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Platt in the school office.

Thank you once again for supporting your child's swimming lessons.

Yours sincerely

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Head of School

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