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To Parents of Children in Year 5

Dear Parents

**As part of the P.E. National Curriculum** we will be taking Year 5 children swimming to Xcel Leisure Centre on Fridays during the Summer Term. The bus leaves school at **1.15 pm and returns by 3.15 pm.**

Whilst at the baths instruction is given by swimming teachers supported by Howes staff. Children will be expected to swim every week and exceptions to this can only be made on production of a note to the class teacher.

Swimming trunks / costumes and towels should be brought in a carrier bag - children should not bring sprays, deodorants, talc etc. Children who have their ears pierced will need to be able to remove their earrings without assistance prior to their lesson; otherwise they will not be allowed to swim.

Safety during swimming lessons is a priority and good behaviour is both necessary and expected. If children should be sent out of the pool by an instructor, for inappropriate behaviour, then we will need to review whether that child can continue to have lessons. Please discuss this with your child. Thank you.

In accordance with our charging and remissions policy school cannot charge for this activity however a voluntary contribution of £25 for the term would be appreciated. If you would like to make a voluntary contribution payment can be made by cash, cheque or by using our online payment system SIMSAGORA.

Children will only be allowed to swim if the attached consent form is returned before Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

**Lessons start Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017**  
(Finishing on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017)

Yours sincerely

Miss S Cooke  
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