

Ryecroft C.E. Middle School

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Dear Parents / Carers

Year 6 Swimming Lessons

As part of the Key Stage 2 National Curriculum all children are required to swim 25m with a recognised swimming stroke before the end of Year 6. This is particularly important for Middle Schools because all pupils will be expected to take part in swimming during P.E. lessons when they transfer to the High School in Year 9.

Your child's first initial swimming lesson will be **next Friday**, **16**th **September 2022**, during which, their swimming ability will be assessed by a member of the swimming staff. Dependent upon this assessment your child will then be placed in a suitable ability group and will continue weekly lessons commencing Friday 23rd September until Friday 9th December. The lessons are provided <u>free of charge</u> by the school and will be part of their P.E. lessons. These lessons will take place every week at Denstone College during curriculum time.

Your child will require a towel and a swimming costume. Simple one-piece swimsuits for the girls and regulation swimming trunks for boys as opposed to shorts. **All** pupils must wear a swimming cap (long and short hair). All earrings and other jewellery must be removed prior to swimming.

Yours sincerely

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