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We follow in Christ's footsteps

Thursday 2nd April 2026

Y3 Swimming

Dear Parent/Carer,

On Wednesday afternoons beginning **22nd April**, your child will be attending swimming lessons at the Louisa Centre, Stanley as they need to complete the national requirements for swimming and water safety. Usual lunch and pick-up arrangements apply.

Please note that due to essential maintenance work at the Louisa Centre, the swimming pool will be closed during the week commencing Monday 27th April. This means there will be **no swimming lesson on Wednesday 29th April**. Our lessons will resume on **Wednesday 6th May**. We appreciate your understanding as these works are carried out to ensure a safe and well-maintained environment.

The children will be accompanied by two school staff who support the swimming coach during the sessions.

Boys must wear appropriate swimming trunks (not long 'holiday' shorts) and girls must wear a bather. Please see the Louisa Centre's policy attached for further information on swim attire.

Pupils will need their own towel. All children must wear a swimming cap, which can be purchased from the Louisa Centre, for £2. All swim kits should be in a plain, **drawstring bag**.

Following advice from the Department of Education, pupils are encouraged not to bring any swimming goggles. School swimming lessons focus on children feeling comfortable swimming without goggles, so they feel confident swimming at least 25 meters.

Children are to come to school in their PE kit of yellow P.E t shirt, black joggers, and trainers on their swimming day.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch via phone or email:

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Kind regards

J Burgess

Headteacher

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