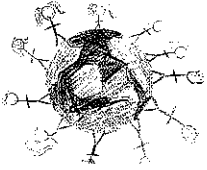


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Dear Parent/Carer

Can I first start with apologising for the confusion this week over the swimming kit requirements. I know I have spoken to a few parents directly over the last few days as has Miss Pickup and I hope we have now resolved things with you.

Historically, when we used to go to the old swimming baths it was always specified to us that the children must have a coat/jacket to wear when they leave the swimming baths. However, we have been informed by a parent who contacted East Manchester swimming baths that they do not enforce this requirement anymore but this has not been clarified with us. We have continued to adhere to this directive but have not perhaps made it clear to yourselves why and from your suggestions we will now make this clearer to the future classes who will be participating.

In view of this I wanted to clarify schools position ready for when the children return after the half term holiday and resume their swimming sessions on the 11 June 2018. We would like children to bring in a jacket/lightweight coat in the summer even on warm days (the children will not be made to wear them and it will always be their choice to do so) but as you all know the weather in Manchester is very changeable and even when the sun is here it can change very quickly. The children have a short walk to the coach when they are dropped off and collected and it is always prudent to have a coat or jacket to slip on when needed. We also have to remind the children to dry themselves thoroughly when they get out of the pool as it is easy for them to catch a chill or cold if they don't and the last thing we want is a poorly child.

I am sure you will agree with these arrangements and we will continue to remind the children every week what they need for their swimming lessons. Please make sure they also bring in their own costumes, swimming trunks and verruca socks along with a towel each Monday as we do not have an unlimited supply in school and it would be a shame if your child was unable to participate because of this.

Thank you as always for your continued support and please do not hesitate to speak to us if you have any queries or concerns. We are always happy to listen to our parents and alleviate any issues where possible.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Fox
Headteacher