



# GOLDINGTON GREEN ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

## Temporary Swimming Pool at Goldington Green Academy - Summer Term 2025

For 7 weeks of Summer Term 2, commencing the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025, we will have a temporary swimming pool built on site to provide all children years 1-6 the opportunity to swim. This letter will provide you with all the information to ensure that your child receives the best possible experience during this time. At the bottom is a swimming ability form, please can you fill it out and hand it back to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. Also included is information regarding when your child will swim and how you can enroll your child in extra swimming lessons after school. In week 7, the final week before the summer holidays, we will run swimming galas and competitions for all and some lessons for Reception children. We will send more details nearer the time.

### Organisation:

- Classes will be split into two groups with each group receiving at least 8 lessons over a two-week period and are 25 minutes each. (we will have to accommodate fitness fortnight during weeks 3 and 4 so some flexibility will be needed here)
- Boys and girls will change in separate changing rooms.
- A qualified swimming instructor will teach them.
- There will always be a lifeguard present.
- Weeks 1 & 4 is Year 1 and Year 4 (W/C 2/6/25 & 23/6/25)
- Weeks 2 & 5 is Year 2 and Year 5 (W/C 9/6/25 & 30/6/25)
- Weeks 3 & 6 is Year 3 and Year 6. (W/C 16/6/25 & 7/7/25)

### Kit requirements:

We ask that children bring their swimming clothes to school ready to change. PE Kits can be worn on swimming days to cut down on the time it takes to change. Once they have had their session, they must put their wet swimming clothes and towel in a separate bag to take home.

- Jewellery must be removed whilst swimming. This is for the safety of the pupils and for others using the pool. **The pupils' safety is paramount** and minimises the risk of injury to their selves and others. If studs cannot be removed, ears must be taped and a swimming hat must be worn at all times.
- In line with guidance, girls are required to wear a one-piece costume and boys must wear fitted trunks or fitted shorts - It is important that aquatic clothing is relatively tight, as this will minimise drag. Also loose fitting shorts can trap the hands or feet of other swimmers. **Children must bring their own towel and appropriate footwear for the pool.**
- Instructors prefer pupils not to wear goggles (due to accidents and eye injuries). If goggles are to be worn, pupils must take care when fitting them. Pupils must make sure goggles do not recoil and are removed by slipping them off the head and not stretched off. Parents should ensure that children know how to put on and take off goggles in the correct and safe fashion. Misuse of goggles will result in the goggles being removed by the swimming instructors.

### Health and Hygiene:



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- Verrucas must be covered with a swimming sock or a waterproof barrier. School staff will check pupil's feet before their swimming lesson.
- If your child has been diagnosed with a contagious/infectious skin condition, then unfortunately they will not be able to take part in sessions until the condition has cleared or unless a doctor has said otherwise.
- All long hair must be tied up; swimming hats can be worn but are not essential unless to cover taped ear piercings.

### Adult supervision and roles:

- There will be a swimming teacher, a lifeguard and a GGA School staff member by the pool during the time pupils are in the pool.

### Assessment and recording:

- All pupils will have their swimming ability assessed during their first lesson and again during their last lesson. All data will be kept behind a password.

### After school swimming lessons

Additional swimming sessions will be available after school and will be delivered by the company providing the pool. There will be an additional cost involved for these sessions. Bookings are on first come first serve basis with limited spaces.

For more information about the after-school swimming provision, please follow this link:

<https://www.sportyscholars.com/swim-club>

Please note: If required, waterproof nappies must be supplied and worn.

### **Swimming Ability Slip**

**Please tick the following box that best suits your child's swimming ability and return to your child's class teacher.**

Non swimmer	
Can swim up to 10m	
Can swim up to 25m	
Can swim beyond 25m	

Name of child: ..... Class: .....

**Please return to class teacher by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**



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