

ALDER COPPICE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Achievement through Commitment

Headteacher: Mr P Mandelstam

2 December 2025

Dear Parents

Year 4 Swimming Lessons

As you will be aware Year 4 Swimming starts in the Spring Term. The dates for each class are below.

The 5 sessions will take place at Ellowes Pool on Tuesday afternoons from 1.30pm. The children will be travelling by coach and should (traffic permitting) be back in school for the normal end of day. There may be the odd occasion that due to traffic the children are slightly later back, so please just wait to collect them on the playground.

We have booked 2 trained Swimming Instructors through Simply Swimming, and the children will be accompanied by 3 of our staff, led by Mr Wall.

The way that the swimming is organised is for half the children to spend 30 minutes in the pool while the other half get ready and spectate and then the second half have their 30 minutes in the pool while the first half get changed and spectate. This means that the ratio for numbers in the pool to adults is very good.

The dates for the sessions are as follows:

Class 4A	Class 4C
Tuesday 6 January	Tuesday 10 February
Tuesday 13 January	Tuesday 24 February
Tuesday 20 January	Tuesday 3 March
Tuesday 27 January	Tuesday 10 March
Tuesday 3 February	Tuesday 17 March

We have a reserve session on Tuesday 24 March in case there are any cancellations, which affect the planned schedule, or we can do an additional session for a group of children if required.

Your child will require the following swimming kit:

- Swimming Costume/Trunks (no bikinis)
- 1 big towel
- Hair brush/comb
- Plastic bag for wet towel and costume

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Please note -

- No jewellery
- Long hair to be tied back or swimming cap to be worn

Please complete the attached Form and return it to us by 10am Wednesday 10 December 2025, indicating whether you wish your child to go swimming. Please return the Form even if you do not wish your child to attend swimming, so that we have a return for each child.

If for any reason we do not receive the Form by **10am Wednesday 10 December** we will assume that you do not give permission for your child to attend the swimming sessions, and they will remain in school.

Thank you to those parents who have committed to supporting the lessons through the £7 a session charge. As the sessions per class is now 5 rather than 6, the total amount is £35, rather than £42. If you have committed to making a payment, please can you complete this via +pay by **10am Thursday 26 January**.

We would like to remind parents that we reserve the right to remove from the activity, at any stage, any child whose behaviour in school is not in keeping with our Respect & Responsibility Code or anyone we consider to be a danger to either others or themselves.

If you have any questions, please contact me either via admin@alder.dudley.sch.uk or via Mrs Barwell in the office.

Many thanks for your support.

Yours sincerely

G Wall

George Wall
PE Subject Leader

YEAR 4 SWIMMING LESSONS

Name of Child _____ Class _____

Please tick one of the following

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I give permission for my child to attend the Year 4 Swimming lessons.

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I do not wish my child to attend the Year 4 Swimming lessons.

Signed _____ (Parent/Guardian/Carer)

Please return this Form to your child's class teacher by **10am Wednesday 10 December**.
If the Form is not returned by this date, we will assume you do not wish your child to attend the sessions and they will remain in school.