

SUMMER TERM 2010

Mini Gala This term we are running our annual Mini Gala on **Saturday 19th June**, for all children in Improver 3 classes and upwards.

The Gala is being run primarily for the children to have **fun** but also to introduce them to a competitive situation. The whole event will be run in a relaxing way with every child receiving a certificate and lots of encouragement. The children, even if slightly reluctant at first, always love this event.

All the children will be asked to nominate their first and second choice favourite/best stroke. They will then be placed into races with similar ability swimmers rather than those necessarily of the same age group, so that everyone has a fair chance. We aim, wherever possible, to let them have a try in at least 2 races of different strokes.

Parents will be welcome to come and support the children on poolside and we would be very grateful for any volunteers to assist with tasks like marshalling, recording results, writing certificates etc.

Full details and a gala programme will be issued nearer to the time but if you have any other queries then please contact me on:-

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Re Enrolment. I am not a fan of the lottery system of re enrolment where it is a case of being first in the queue on a certain day. Once your child has a place with Aquaschool it is theirs for as long as you wish. There is no age or time limit and I will always do my best to ensure that your child is in the right class at a time that suits.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO PAY ON TIME! However for this system to work PLEASE can I ask **everyone** to pay the term's fees in advance and preferably prior to the start of the next term. If for whatever reason your child is no longer able to continue with their lessons or would like to have a break for the summer due to cricket etc PLEASE can you let us know so that we can plan the classes accordingly. If you just do not turn up you are stopping another child from having a place.

26th July to 30th July

5 mornings: 8.30-10am

Back by popular demand! An intensive course is a great way to really consolidate all that the children have learnt so far and also an opportunity for them to make great improvement whilst having FUN.

- **Advanced** - A 1 hour session for swimmers who are confident and able to swim 25m unaided and with good style. This session will include stroke improvement, stamina, diving, starts and turns and basic survival skills. This class will be taught in deep water. Cost £70
- **Improver** - a half hour session for those children who are just starting to swim or who have just taken their first unaided strokes. This is designed to improve the distance swum and introduce breaststroke. Cost £45
- **Beginner** - a half hour session for all non- swimmers taught with a high ratio of staff to children. This aims to improve water confidence and teach basic strokes. Cost £45

You do not have to be a member of AquaSchool to participate in these courses.

Provisional bookings are now being taken

Saturday Classes

Start: Saturday 17th April 2010

Finish: Saturday 26th June 2010

Due to Half Term there will be **no** session on Saturday 5th June

Tuesday Classes

Start: Tuesday 20th April 2010

Finish: Tuesday 29th June 2010

Due to Half Term there will be **no** session on Tuesday 1st June

Friday Classes

Start: Friday 23rd April 2010

Finish: Friday 2nd July 2010

Due to Half Term there will be **no** session on Friday 4th June

All dates will be on the web site www.aquaschoolsalisbury.co.uk



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We have been asked to remind all parents that PARKING IS NOT ALLOWED in the Prep School grounds on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon. Not even parents of the Godolphin School are allowed to use the entrance for drop off or parking, this is for pedestrians and school buses only.

Parking should be on Laverstock Road or Milford Hill outside of the Prep School.

ONLY on Saturdays is parking is allowed inside the Prep School grounds. Due to weekend functions no parking is allowed at the Senior School

Goggles

Lots of the children wear goggles some with more success than others! Whilst they can be excellent and stop water from getting in the eyes, ill fitting goggles can cause complete chaos and disruption.

As a guide children should wear junior range goggles which are one complete unit. They should fit around the eye so that the rubber sits securely around the outside of the eye not on the hat. Adult goggles are too large for this and can reach right around the side of the face and are also too big to fit into the space between the eye and nose. Hence they leak. In addition there is no need for adjustable nose straps. A complete fixed pair of goggles where the eye covers are connected as one whole unit works more effectively.

Goggles must also only cover the eyes not the nose, as in some snorkling masks, these are not allowable for diving and can be unsafe when worn by younger children.

Below is a picture of two brands just as a guide. I am always happy to help with fitting if this helps.

Hats: It is a requirement of the Godolphin pool that all swimmers must wear hats. I know some children (especially the boys!) do not approve but to use the pool we must adhere to this policy. We can supply them at a cost of £3.50 each

Time Keeping- I know this is difficult but please where possible, could the children be ready on poolside before their lesson starts. With only half an hour it is very disruptive to the class when children trickle in!

A few reminders please;

Changing Rooms: In the interests of privacy all children over six must use the appropriate male/female changing rooms. This also applies to parents. Any parent wishing to accompany a child aged over six of the opposite sex into changing rooms is asked to use the disabled shower/toilet.

Adult Supervision: Please can we remind you that a responsible adult must remain in the building at all times whilst your child is swimming. Parents/carers are not allowed poolside but are very welcome to watch from the viewing gallery alongside the pool.