

# Oaklands Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This year we would like to change the way in which we teach swimming within the school. Previously children have been taught swimming in Year 5 however, we feel that the children would benefit by starting to learn to swim as early as possible and, as a result, we will now be moving the teaching of swimming to start in Year 3.

To ensure that children currently in Year 4 and Year 5 are not disadvantaged we will be running lessons for those that need additional support. In order to help us assess your children's abilities at swimming and decide if they need further lessons, we are going to trial a way of assessing their ability based on activities required by the national curriculum. This means that if your child is in Year 4 or Year 5 and can already complete the activities required by the national curriculum, they will not need to attend swimming lessons at school.

We would therefore be grateful if you could give us an indication of your child's current ability in a number of tasks listed on the attached table. Please could you return the completed form by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. H. West  
Headteacher

## SWIMMING ASSESSMENT FORM

Please tick the appropriate box for each task. If you are unsure, please write not known.

<b>Task</b>	<b>Able to complete unaided</b>	<b>Able to partially complete or with support (such as swimming aids)</b>	<b>Not able to currently complete</b>
Swim a width			
Swim a length (approx. 25m)			
Use a range of strokes (Breast Stroke, Front Crawl, Back Stroke)			
Climb out of the pool			
Float on their back			
Float on their front			

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_