



Hello everyone,

I hope you have had a good week so far.

I had the privilege of accompanying Year 4/5 to their first swimming lesson this week. Swimming is such an important life skill but also a really fun activity to participate in.

Our pupils were incredibly excited and there was a real buzz on the bus on the way there and the way back! In their writing lesson, children wrote about their experience in the form of a newsletter, pretending to be me! An extract of Aaliyah's work is published in this newsletter on the back of this page.

We had visitors from the London Fire Brigade on Thursday talking to Reception, Year One, and Year Two about fire safety. The firefighters told the children about their job, the equipment they use, but most importantly, how to help stay safe.

I wish you all a very enjoyable weekend.

Evan Hollows
Head of Primary



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23 January	Year 4/5 Swimming lessons
24 January	School Nurse 8:30am–9:30am
25 January	Parents' Forum 8:50am–9:30am
25 January	Reception Parents' Evening
28 January	Reception Parents' Evening
29 January	Years 1-5 Parents' Evening
31 January	Years 1-5 Parents' Evening
4 February	Kittle photography
18 February	Half term
25 February	School resumes

Swimming lessons –Years 4/5

Year 4 and 5 have their swimming lessons every Wednesday morning.

The last swimming lesson will be on 13th February 2019.

Please provide your child with the following for each lesson:

- Girls – a one-piece swimming costume
- Boys – swimming trunks (no baggy shorts below the knee)
- A large towel
- A swimming hat
- A suitable bag to put everything in

Unfortunately, if your child has forgotten or doesn't have the correct clothing with them, this will result in them not participating in swimming.

Thank you



This week's awards for going "above and beyond".

★	★	Name	★	★	★	★	Award	★	★
		Chelsea					Home Reading Award		
		Majid					Home Reading Award		
		Lorelei					Hot Chocolate Friday (HCF)		
		Brooke					Certificate of Participation		
		Tyler					HCF		
		Ayaan					HCF		
		Ronnie					Star of the Week		
		Isabella					Reading Achievement		
		Amaariah					Reading Achievement		
		Aimee					Sports Star of the Week		
		Maxwell					HCF		
		Laurel					Maths Award		
		Bobby					Home Reading		
		Victory					Star of the Week		
		Kiani					Science Award		
		Perez					HCF		

On the school grounds we would appreciate the following:

- Refrain from using mobile phones at all times, unless it's an emergency
- No use of bad language
- No spitting
- No littering

Parents' Evenings

- **Years 1-5** Parents' Evenings will be on Tuesday 29th and Thursday 31st January from 3:30pm – 5:00pm. (The primary Hall)
- **Reception** Parents' Evenings will be on Friday 25th and Monday 28th January 3:30pm -5:00pm

Please complete and return letters for your appointment asap.

Year 4/5 Swimming Newsletter

This week we have been swimming with the Year 4/5 class. First of all, the children were waiting. While they were waiting, I went in to meet them watching a video of a little boy learning how to swim. I spoke to them about taking risks and being safe and I also told them about the special ladies, one would be in the pool, to help them.

When it was 10 O'clock we hit the road and started our journey to the Becontree Leisure Centre. We all walked across the road sensibly and waited at the bus stop nicely. Some of the children were moaning because they wanted to sit upstairs but I told them, "Maybe next time."

by Aaliyah (in the style of Mr Hollows!)