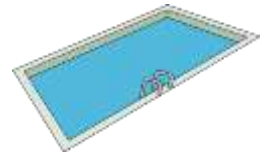




## Whaplode Church of England Primary School SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE



### SWIMMING POOL NEWSLETTER JULY 2022

Here we are at the end of another swimming season and school year. All classes have made great progress in the water and we are very proud that most of Year 6 can swim 25m, and some have achieved distances of 100m. Such great achievements. All children have enjoyed swimming lessons this term and we have seen great improvements in water confidence and swimming abilities. Reception class have been having fun in the water and have been developing their water confidence through games. All classes have been working on improving their stroke technique and their distance, and learning how to stay safe in and around water.

#### Summer Improvements

Once again, over the summer holidays we are planning further improvements to our pool building. The slab flooring around the pool will be lifted and replaced with a solid concrete floor, this will be a better surface to walk on and look much nicer.

#### Fund Raising

We are delighted with how the Summer Fair was supported this year, so lovely to see many of our families there having fun on the stalls and enjoying the sunshine. We raised just over £2000.00. Thank you for all the bottles donated for the tombola stall.

#### Amazon Smile

Thank you to those who are shopping through Amazon Smile. The committee signed up to Amazon Smile to generate extra funds for our charity – the more people use it, the more we can earn. If you shop with Amazon, please use Amazon Smile and select Whaplode Swimming Pool Fund charity to support. This will automatically generate funds for us and comes directly to our bank.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1056670-0>

#### New Pool Heater

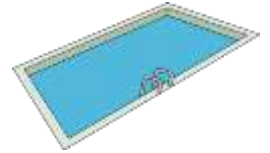
As is sometimes the case with running a swimming pool, we had an unforeseen expense in May. Unfortunately, the pool heater broke down and was not able to be repaired. It was replaced very quickly by a local company, CRS Ltd from Cowbit. We now have a much more up to date, energy efficient heater keeping our pool water at a pleasant 29 – 30 degrees.

#### Term 1 Swimming – Swimming Caps

We will be back for more swimming in September, when classes 3, 4, 5 & 6 will have a lesson each week until October half term, weather permitting. These lessons will start from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September. We will be asking children to wear swimming caps for their lessons. This is mainly for hygiene reasons, as the caps stop hair getting into the water and into the filter system and they are great at keeping long hair out of eyes when swimming. Long hair can be quite a hindrance when swimming! Please ensure your child has a swimming cap as part of their kit from September.



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### **Second-hand uniform for sale**

We continue to have stock of second hand uniform for sale. Please see the school website for details if you wish to purchase any or donate. A second hand uniform sale will be held in September.

### **Thank You to the Committee**

Thank you to all the committee members who give up time at weekends to help to keep the pool area clean and ensure the pool is fit for use for all our children. We always welcome new members to the committee, so if you feel you have any spare time to give and would like to get involved with our swimming pool, please contact us.

**We wish everyone a happy, healthy and safe summer holiday, see you in September.**