



Blyton cum Laughton

Church of England Primary School

High Street, Blyton, Gainsborough, Lincolnshire, DN21 3JX. Telephone: 01427 628342
 Church Road, Laughton, Gainsborough, Lincolnshire, DN21 3PP. Telephone: 01427 628348
 www.blyton.lincs.sch.uk Headteacher: Mr. Karl Duke BA(Hons), PGCE

Swimming 2025/26

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, swimming is a key part of the national curriculum and an essential life skill we all want our children to develop. However, due to rising transportation costs and lower than expected contributions from families this year, we have had to make further adjustments to ensure we can continue offering swimming lessons.

This year, only 48% of families made full swimming payments – the same percentage as last year. If this continues, the school would need to cover an additional £1,700 on top of the costs for pool hire and instructor fees. We only ever ask parents to contribute toward the cost of transport – the school covers the rest – and we work hard to keep these charges as low as possible. Unfortunately, if the payment rate does not improve next year, we may need to further reduce the number of children who take part in swimming lessons in 2026/27.

Changes for 2025/26

After careful review, we have decided that only Year 2 and Fig class will take part in swimming lessons. In addition, we will include Year 6 pupils who are unable to swim 25m, which is the national expectation by the end of primary school.

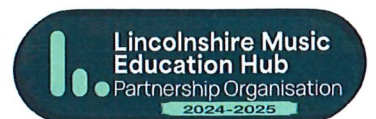
All payments will be sent as an invoice via Stripe, instead of SchoolPing. If your Year 6 child will be swimming next year, you will also receive an invoice.

Cost per child: £28.50

We understand this may still be a significant cost for some families. If you are unable to pay the full amount, we kindly ask that you contribute what you can as every bit helps.

Swimming Schedule

Class	Weeks	Dates
Year 2	6 weeks	08/09, 15/09, 22/09, 29/09, 06/10, 13/10
Fig + Year 6 (under 25m swimmers)	6 weeks	03/11, 10/11, 17/11, 24/11, 01/12, 08/12

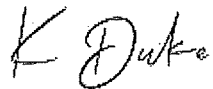


Swimming Kit Requirements

Boys Swimming trunks (not shorts), any colour
Girls One-piece swimming costume, any colour
All children Goggles, swimming hat, towel

We truly appreciate your understanding and support with these necessary changes. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K Duke". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'K' and 'D'.

Mr K. Duke
Headteacher