

Parent Letter - Supervision of children

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The safety and welfare of the children attending our swimming club is paramount and we strive to ensure we provide an environment that is both safe and enjoyable for all the children attending. The commitment from our coaches and helpers allows us to provide safe and well supervised training sessions when your child is actively partaking in their pool session. However, the responsibility of your child can only rest with the coaches during their training session and when on poolside. In order to ensure a safe environment at all times we must remind parents as stated in the parents code of conduct that:

It is your responsibility to know your child's training and/or competitive programme, and accept it is your responsibility for delivering and collecting your child/children.

Parents/guardians should ensure they do not leave their child/children waiting unsupervised at any time.

The swimming club will continue to ensure that there is adequate supervision when on poolside and attendance records will be taken. If you are unclear about training times please discuss this with ourselves. For those younger children who attend, we ask that you collect and drop off your children to poolside and collect them promptly once their session has ended. Younger swimmers will not be allowed to leave poolside unless a parent is available to collect them. **If you plan for your child to leave a session early please ensure the coach is made aware of these plans by an adult. Any changes to contact details should be forwarded to the membership team.**

We also request that if there is any changes in your child's health over the swim year that the head coach be informed, as this may impact on training abilities.

I would also like to bring it to the attention of all parents that the leisure centre operates under the leisure watch scheme in conjunction with the police. In an effort to safeguard the users of the leisure centre, **the use of cameras within the leisure centre is prohibited.**

Please discuss this matter with your child and advise them that under no circumstances is the use of cameras permitted within the leisure centre. This includes the practice of taking images for use on social media including snapchat.

Any parent wishing to use a camera at a gala needs to be aware that they are required to register their request to use a camera within the leisure centre management.

Your assistance and compliance in this matter is essential for us to continue to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for your child.

Should you have any further queries or concerns please feel free to discuss these with the Clubs Children's Officer Susan Crawford