**5th January 2021 – Update re St Mary’s and Ashdown Pools**

Well here we are, New Year - New Lockdown! It's all getting a bit familiar now sadly. Just to confirm that it now looks like we won't be swimming until after the February half term at the earliest (half term is the week commencing 15th February). For now I am focusing on the week commencing 22nd Feb to start back, but it may be we won't be allowed to restart until later - watch this space, our website and Boris for updates in the coming weeks! Whenever we do manage to get back we will swim for 10 weeks. This may work out as some swimming before the Easter holidays and then the rest afterwards, or it may be that we don't get back at all until after Easter. Whatever happens, the outcome will be the same - you will get the weeks you have paid for.

A lot of you have already paid me, mostly by bank transfer, and for that I am so very grateful - your money will roll over until the next term if we are unable to swim before Easter. Those of you who have paid me by cheque, I won't pay these in until the beginning of February (if anyone would prefer I paid theirs in before that time, please get in touch with me).

For those of you who haven't paid me yet, as I will be working towards restarting after the February half term, I would be grateful if you could pay me before or during the first week of February to secure your places. I will then assume that anyone who hasn't paid (or been in touch to confirm they would like their place) by this time doesn't want their place and I can then book others in from the waiting list.

Sorry for the mammoth post and I do hope it all makes sense - if not let me know!!!!

Stay warm, safe and sane during the coming weeks and we hope to see you all soon!! Vx