

Diary Dates

Subject to change.

Saturday 5th April – Invoices due for first half of Summer term

Monday 7th April – 3 WEEK EASTER BREAK

Monday 28th April – Swim School reopens for first half of Summer term

Monday 5th May – Invoices emailed for second half of Summer term

Saturday 18th May – Invoices due for second half of Summer term

Monday 26th May – HALF TERM WEEK

Monday 2nd June – Swim School reopens for second half of Summer term

Monday 30th June – Invoices emailed for first half of Autumn term

Monday 30th June – Saturday 5th July - Assessments for next terms classes

Monday 7th July – Water Safety week for all classes

Saturday 12th July – Invoices due for first half of Autumn term

Monday 21st July - TERM TIME LESSONS END

Term Statistics

Total badges earned: 939

Children successfully transitioned into Duckling/1A classes: 25

Number of first distance awards (5m): 70

Total distance swam for distance awards:

72,425m!

That's got to be a record?!



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Kingfishers Swim School Newsletter

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Happy Easter if you are celebrating.

I've just had the privilege of working out our statistics for the term and I'm completely blown away.

72, 425 metres swum for distance awards in the last few weeks. That is just incredible. Well done all of those who achieved and even attempted their next distance award this term.

We are finally heading towards the warmer weather. Thank you for braving all those cold and wet days to swim with us.



STARfish Award Update

We will be using these alongside the Swim England Discovery Duckling and Duckling Awards for the under 3s and those over 3s that will benefit from this approach.

Please ensure we have your up-to-date mobile number and an email address that you look at regularly.

Last minute changes of closures will be sent by text. This is a no reply service. Updates will also be posted via Facebook. Invoices will continue to be sent by email. Check we are on your safe list so we don't go into your junk folder. If you are expecting an email or text and you don't receive it, please let us know so we can make sure we have your correct details.

If you need to speak to one of the team, email denise@kingfishersswimschool.co.uk, sophie@kingfishersswimschool.co.uk or jordan@kingfishersswimschool.co.uk or message us on Facebook.

INFORMATION

Rare Level 2 Swimming Teacher's Course running at Southend Tennis and Leisure Centre (Garons)



🏊 We are pleased to announce we are running Level 2 STA Award in Teaching Swimming

- 📍 Southend Tennis & Leisure Centre, SS2 4FA
- 📅 28th, 29th, 30th April 1st & 2nd May 2025
- 🕒 09:00-18:00
- 💷 £385.00
- To book your place please email us at swimcourses@fusion-lifestyle.com or call 0207 740 7575

If you're thinking of joining the course, let us know! Must be 16yrs+ on day of exam.

Things to look forward to in the Summer term:

Water Safety Week – WC 7th July 2025



Our Annual Water Safety Week is always one to remember. The children will learn vital skills to prepare them for the summer ahead, and beyond. Personal survival and basic self and peer rescue will be taught in a fun environment. Swimmers in level 3 and above will swim in clothes and everyone will be encouraged to ditch the goggles to practise swimming without.

Fun Swim Week – WC 14th July 2025

A chance to drag your grown ups into the water to show them your new skills. Practise your water safety skills, show off your new confidence by jumping off the stepping stones and enjoy the end of term in a real life scenario out of lesson structure.

Sponsored Splash – Planned for 19th July 2025

Set yourself a target and swim for an amazing cause – the Kingfishers Fund. Whether you want to achieve 100m or 5000m, join in the Sponsored Splash to raise some cash!

Kingfishers Charity Update

Reminder

If you're not yet on the WhatsApp group, follow the link in your email to stay in the loop!



This term's charity event will be a **sponsored swim event**.

Swim your next distance award (or further) for an amazing cause.

It will be open to anyone wanting to complete a distance award of between 100m and 5000m.

We are hoping to run this event on Saturday 19th July, starting in the morning (pool to be confirmed). You will be allocated a swim time depending on the distance you hope to complete.

Entry will be free, but you will be expected to raise sponsorship.

All profits from this event will go directly into the Kingfishers Charity Account. All staff will volunteer their time and so will not be paid.

Minimum sponsorship amounts below:

Distance swum	Minimum sponsorship entry
100m-600m	£20
800m-1500m	£30
2000m-3000m	£40
4000m-5000m	£50

If you would like to express your interest in this event, please follow the link below. The spaces will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Spaces will be confirmed in June, or before once filled. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd4gjcNhRStRnPi9r-L_F5hgpkETHMdfTwsVLLkkWz2ufbG7g/viewform?usp=sharing

Each teacher has nominated
some students for swimmer
of the term.
Congratulations if you were
nominated!

SWIMMER OF THE TERM

The Nominations are in...

Axel Prail – for being happy to swim without his bands!
Imogen Etheridge – for always trying her very best even when the skill doesn't come naturally.
Leighton Young – for getting out of his comfort zone, still nervous but pushing himself.
Ava Billings – for always trying her best to get everything right.
Elise Day – for being as positive as possible.
Jesse Page-Stanes – for always trying his best.
Hallie Butcher – for being brave and overcoming her fears.
Jenson Perrotton – for getting braver each week.
Taranja Balasanthiran – for getting her 20m and persevering with her handstands.
Sophie Sach – for listening to her teacher shout 'glide!' every time she swims breast stroke.
All of the ROOKIES who have been amazing this term and for being a pleasure to teach.
Jesse Quamina – for swimming the whole length without stopping.
Albie Pullen – for swimming without his armbands.
All of the DUCKLINGS – for swimming without their parents and being super brave.
Sidney Schrader – for going under the water happily.
Timmy Cox – for trying really hard in every lesson and great improvement on his breast stroke.
Florence Allen – for getting braver every week.
Isaac Whitelock-Chaplin – for improving so much this term and getting straight into the pool every week.
All of Hazel's Tuesday level 7 class – for making her smile every week and trying their hardest.
Lolade Keshiro – for perseverance.
Rosie Davis – for having the courage to have a go without her armbands.
Rosie Churn – for conquering her fears.
Evelyn Rushton (and her parents!) – for persevering and swimming 5m front and back with confidence.
Lewis Bull – for fabulous somersaults in the pool.
Daisy Grout – for massive improvement in all of her strokes.
Phoebe Lay – for putting her face in!
Emwinokpa Aigbangbee – for giving it 100% and overcoming his fears.
Bella Blades – for always turning up and trying her hardest, even with a broken ankle!
Mia O'Brien – for fabulous somersaults in the pool.
Elsie Wan – for swimming without her armbands.
Henry Black – for always doing his best.
Juniper Johnson – for her big confidence boost and swimming with less armbands.
Christine Blake – for always giving it 100%.





The Nominations continued...

Amelia Roberts – for getting her breast stroke for Angelfish 1.

Milo Johnson – for always trying his best in his lessons.

Leo Hockley – for putting his face in the water.

Oliver Rider – for always trying his best.

Raven Laird – for going in the water without Mummy this half term.

Lottie Ficociello – for persevering with her somersault for her Angelfish 1 award.

ALL OF THE RISING 3S – for being so brave in working towards getting into the pool without their grown-ups.

Lauren Beharrie – for always trying her best.

Owyn Moseley – for always giving it 100% and being a pleasure to teach.

Oscar Burke – for great improvement in swimming skills and listening too!

Alexis Brooke-Durrant – for great listening and stamina improvement.

Harriet Black – for always trying her best.

Isla Hulbert – for conquering her fears of the goggles and swimming with her face in and no armbands.

Lottie Tobin – for finding her kicking legs!

Naomi Sellick – for strong opposite back stroke arms at just 4yrs old.

Minnie Neighbour – for always trying her best and for lovely stroke improvement.

Albie Stone – for conquering the fear of swimming on his back and now producing a great back stroke AND for swimming in the deep end. Great job Albie.



for always trying her best.

Well done Harriet!