#### **Diary Dates**

Subject to change – especially with the pandemic situation. Please bear with us.

21<sup>st</sup> December 2020 – 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2021: 2 week Christmas Break

WC 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021: swimming restarts

WC 15<sup>th</sup> February: Half term week (no swimming)

WC 22<sup>nd</sup> February: Return to swimming

WC 29<sup>th</sup> March: Easter break (no swimming for 2 weeks)

WC 12<sup>th</sup> April: Summer term commences

#### Stay up to date!

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/kingfishersswimschool/

YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaChwUMiKLtS3XUq7llxgdQ



Kingfishers Swim School Newsletter

December 2020

Issue 3

We made it!

We've made it to the end of another term, just about! The unexpected 'Lockdown 2' was an additional bump in the road but we got there in the end.

Thank you for your continued patience and willingness to adapt to each piece of guidance we receive. We truly couldn't do it without you all.

We would also like to personally thank every single parent that has brought their child out in the cold and wet, just so their child could learn to swim. Well done to all of you who have accompanied your child in the water to allow them to keep making progress. We never imagined having to ask parents to get in the water but you've all been fantastic. A big shout out to those parents that can't swim and yet still get in. If we ever need any assistants when we can get back in the water, we know where to come! We hope you've enjoyed spending time with your little fish and learned something along the way.

And finally, for all those that celebrate... Merry Christmas!





## Did you know?

Kingfishers are a recognised Splashabout swimwear stockist? We offer our swimmers a discount off RRP too!

Email: sophie@kingfishersswimschool.co.uk for current stock.

Splashabout Happy Nappy £10 (rrp £11.99)

Splashabout BabyWrap £18 (rrp £21)

Splashabout Happy Nappy Costume £16 (rrp £17.99)

Splashabout Splash Jammers £13 (rrp £14.99)



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

Invoices and notifications of pool closures will continue to be sent by text. This is a no reply service. Updates will also be posted via Facebook. We may also email you reminders. 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.

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# **Water Safety** Challenge

Find out what the **HELP** position is and what it stands for...

# **About the Team**

Each issue we will ask two of the teachers a few questions about them so you can get to know us better. This issue is Sophie and

Denise.





# What do you most enjoy about teaching swimming?

Seeing the progress of the children is fantastic. I love seeing the children suddenly realise that they can do it.

#### What have you enjoyed most about teaching with adults in the water?

Seeing the adults enjoy spending time with their children. Parents are now using the teaching techniques we have taught them with ease. We have created lots of fantastic pool assistants!

#### If you had 3 wishes, what would they be?

- 1. That my children grow up healthy and happy (and love swimming of course!)
- 2. That normality will resume soon so I can spend time with family and so that businesses like ours can return to normal.
- 3. And that's it really. Everyone has a healthy and happy new year.



### What do you most enjoy about teaching swimming?

Watching really nervous children's faces when they start enjoying the water for the first time.

### What have you enjoyed most about teaching with adults in the water?

Watching the parents enjoying that 1:1 with their child and the joy on their faces when they get their child to complete a skill for the first time.

(Oh, and staying dry of course!)

#### If you had 3 wishes, what would they be?

- 1. Good health to all!
- 2. Good health to all!
- 3. Good health to all!



# **Water Safety Challenge**

Find out how you contact the coastguard in an emergency...



### **SWIMMER OF THE TERM**

Each teacher has nominated some students for swimmer of the term.

Congratulations if you were nominated!

Archie Hawes

for

always trying his best and for always being polite and friendly to his peers and teachers.

#### The Nominations

Archie Hawes – for always trying his best and for always being polite and friendly to his peers and teachers.

Isaac Piper – for his concentration and listening skills.

Poppy-Jo Bond – for her excellent progress and increase in swimming stamina.

Amber Towler – for her excellent effort and super front crawl skills.

Arabella Wright – for great concentration and keen attitude.

Jacob Williams – for his determination to swim independently, particularly on his back.

Harry McEwen – for his excellent progress since September and determination to conquer his nerves.

Lara James – for the confidence to swim independently.

Connie Foster – for growing in confidence.

Manu Pranjivan – for putting his face in the water.

Elsie Craig – for her renewed confidence.

Amelie Triance – for conquering her fear of the deep end!

Harley Budd – for putting his face in and swimming unaided on his back.

Alice Graveling – for floating in armbands on her own.

Finally, all of the adults that have been assisting their children in the water!





# **Water Safety Challenge**

Find out what the different coloured beach flags mean...