

WESTON-SUPER-MARE SWIMMING CLUB

LEARN TO SWIM

December 2011

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As Christmas approaches and we near the end of the academic term I am taking the opportunity to give you a LTS update.

TEACHER CHANGES

With the end of the academic term and another year we are going to see some changes to our teaching team. I am stepping down my teaching commitment in the New Year so my classes will be covered by the club coaching team, led by head coach Rachel, until a permanent teacher takes over the classes. Jen, who has been helping with the first class on a Thursday evening is having to give up her class as she has had a change in her working commitments, but we see a welcome return to the teaching team of Mike Ryan.

We have seen a number of our very enthusiastic, committed helpers gain some official qualifications – Zara, Luke (Tuesdays) and Nick (Thursdays) have got their Level 1 swimming teacher qualification, e.g. official assistant teachers. Others on the team are booked onto similar courses in the new year. Please give all of our team your support and encouragement as they are giving up their time to teach your children on a volunteer basis.

CHANGE TO LTS COORDINATOR

From January I will no longer be coordinating lessons for the swimming club, as my work commitments have increased and changes to my family circumstances has made it more tricky to give the role my full attention. Luckily we have someone in our midst who has agreed to take on the role, and I am sure you will support Zara Gardener as she finds her feet. All contact details (email and mobile phone contact number) will remain the same – just the person behind these contact methods will change.

NOTICES

Please keep an eye on the **club noticeboard** and the LTS area on it - LTS term dates and other LTS related information is posted on there. Also, please do remember that we have an area on the **club website** with LTS related documents and associated information.

NEW LTS SWIM HATS

The new club Learn to Swim hats based on the same design as the purple squad swim hats but white background with purple logo, have been a great success. It is a top quality hat and only **costs £5 each**. If your child has shoulder length or longer hair they **MUST** wear a hat for lessons. If you would like a LTS hat just ask me or Zara.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!!!

All our teachers are qualified ASA Level 2 teachers, who volunteer their time to teach with the club (unpaid). They are assisted by support teachers either with their Level 1, or working towards it. If you would like to get more involved with the club we are always looking for more support from parents/carers/friends etc. Anyone who would like to get a swimming teacher qualification may be supported financially by the club. Please see the club website for more details.

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Just to clarify there will be **no LTS swimming lessons after 18th December until Tuesday 3rd January 2012.**

Best regards, Tina Byatt

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