

20th August 2026

Pop-Up Swimming Pool Programme

Year 3 After School Swimming Programme Autumn Term 2026

Dear Families,

We're excited to announce that we are collaborating with ActiveMe 360 CIC again this year who will deliver **Swim:ED** after-school clubs for children in **Year 3**.

Swim:ED is an exciting new initiative that eliminates the barriers of traditional off-site lessons. Lessons are delivered in a heated pop-up pool under a secure temporary structure on our school playground! It brings the joy of swimming directly to our children.

Classes are taught by qualified swim teachers and lifeguards, ensuring that children learn effectively and in an environment of utmost safety. The programme follows stringent safety standards and child protection policies. It promotes confidence and a sense of security, ensuring every child feels safe, valued, and encouraged regardless of their swimming proficiency.

What is a Pop-up Pool?

A pop-up pool is a fun and exciting addition to our school's physical education program. With dimensions of approximately 10m x 5m and a depth of 1.2m, the above-ground pool structure provides a high-quality and safe swimming experience for children. The pool meets industry standards and safety requirements, ensuring that all children can enjoy a fun and secure swimming experience. Equipped with a filter and pool heater to maintain a safe water temperature, the pool is situated under a 9x15m marquee. The accompanying image provides a visual example of the pool, its setup, and structure.



What can I do to prepare my child for school swimming lessons?

- Go swimming as a family before they start their lessons.
- Visit the Swim England parent hub at www.swimming.org/learntoswim
- Find your local pool at www.swimming.org/poolfinder
- Talk positively about going swimming and the importance of learning to swim.
- Ensure they are able to dress and undress themselves and dry themselves independently including getting into and out of their swimwear.
- Support with practicing blowing bubbles, splashing water over their face and submerging their face.

What to wear for swimming?

- Girls to wear a one-piece swimming costume.
- Boys to wear swimming trunks or swimming shorts (above the knee).
- Children may choose to wear rash vests and or leggings for modesty if they wish.
- Goggles may be worn but remain the responsibility of the individual wearer.
- Long hair must be tied back or ideally a swimming hat worn.
- Jewellery (except for an SOS talisman) is not permitted during school swimming lessons, i.e. earrings, bracelets, necklaces, waterproof watches, rings etc.
- Please ensure your child also brings a towel with them to dry after their session!

Important – On swimming days we ask children not to wear any hair products, they affect the water quality and clarity which may affect the pools operation.

Schedule

The programme will run for 6 weeks from w/c Monday 7th September 2026 to Thursday 15th October 2026.

Day	Year Group	Time
Monday	Yr3 Group 1	15:15 – 16:15
Tuesday	Yr3 Group 2	15:15 – 16:15
Wednesday	Yr3 Group 3	15:15 – 16:15
Thursday	Yr3 Group 4	15:15 – 16:15



The cost of the after-school lessons will be free as they are being funded by the school.

Application process

Interested parents are requested to apply by clicking the link below that will take you to the ActiveMe 360 booking page. There you will be able to select the session that you would like your child to attend. Please note that each group will have a **maximum of 12** places available. Admission will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Important: Please only select and book onto one session, as we only have availability for children to swim once per week.

Click this link to book: <https://bookings.activeme360.co.uk/project/83288>

Next steps

Once you've registered and before the programme starts, we just need some information on your child's swimming ability and experience so we can group them accordingly. Please take 30 seconds to complete the questions via the link below, this will be a great help!

Click this link to complete the survey: **Parent Feedback Survey**

This after-school club will provide an enjoyable activity for our children and empower them with essential swimming and water safety skills. We hope you will take advantage of this fantastic opportunity.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing the children of Walsh Junior School make a splash with Swim:ED!

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak with your class teacher.

Yours sincerely

ActiveMe 360.