



March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

The PTA would like to invite you to join the 2023 Pool Club, the application process is open from Wednesday 29nd March 2023. The deadline for applications is 5pm on Wednesday 19th April or when 85 applications (and accompanying payments) have been received. If you wish to join you must complete the online application form and submit the payment via Crowdfunder. Pool Club enables Aldryngton families to make use of the school's outdoor heated swimming pool after school and during the holidays during week days, but not weekends. The PTA Pool Club has proven to be a real asset to the Aldryngton Community, providing not just swimming but also a social focus for both children and parents.

This year's Pool Club season is planned to start on the Tuesday 2nd May and runs through to Friday 22nd September. Only those Aldryngton children who are Pool Club members are allowed to use the Pool Club, so make sure your children don't miss out!

The online application form and the link to the Crowdfunder payment page are now live on the school website at <http://aldryngton.wokingham.sch.uk/home/pta/pta-pool/> along with the Pool Club Rules and Operating Procedure and also some useful FAQs giving more information about the operation of the Pool Club. Please read the Rules and Procedure carefully even if you were a Pool Club member previously as there are some important changes to be aware of this year.

Note

The government rules around Covid 19 and Swim England/the school will determine how the pool can operate. It is hoped that it will run as outlined, but changes may be required at short notice. We will update if there are any changes.

Pool Club members who are undertaking rota duties are required to attend a resus training session. There are 3 training sessions to choose from, all taking place in the school hall/Mrs Dunn's classroom before the pool opens. Due to restrictions these are limited to 20 per session. You must confirm which training session on the booking form when submitting your application. If you do not attend your planned training the application will be void and a refund will not be issued. If, for any reason, there is a requirement to add an additional session this may be possible after the start of the pool season, but you may not undertake rota duties until this has taken place or been confirmed.

Only members who have attended training will be able to open the pool on a non-rota basis (with another supervising adult).

Your support for the PTA Pool Club is vital to the continued viability of the school pool and of school swimming lessons for children in Years 1-6, but please note that membership to the PTA Pool Club is completely separate from curriculum swimming lessons for KS1 & KS2; both sources of income are necessary to cover the cost of running and maintaining the pool.

If you have any questions, please email pool@aldryngtonpta.com.

Kind Regards

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