

30th January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

SWIMMING TRIAL - YEAR 5 & 6
THURSDAY 19th MARCH 2026

Your child expressed interest in participating in the Harlow Schools swimming gala on Friday 1st May 2026; for your child to be considered for this team event and to make selection fair they will need to attend a trial to ensure they are safe in water.

Arrangements for the swimming trial are as follows:

- Please consent on Arbor by viewing the slip so your child is on the register to attend.
- Meet myself and Miss Cashin at 7.50am at Stewards School outside the main entrance to the school building.
- Your child will be registered and taken into the swimming pool for their trial.
- Parents are unable to watch the trial due to space.
- We aim to finish the trial by 9am.
- When changed the children will be brought back to you at the same meeting point by 9.10am to be taken back to Henry Moore School.
- Your child's teacher will mark them in the register as attending a school visit; they will not be marked in late that day.
- Please ensure you can collect your child from this trial.

PLEASE READ!

This is a swimming trial for a gala, **not a swimming lesson**. If your child requires the use of floats or armbands in order to swim, they should not be attending this trial. I cannot stress this enough. Disappointingly, we had 8 children attend last year who could not swim.

Please note this is a competitive Swimming Gala.

Do not go into the school building and ask the Stewards staff about where your child is and how long they will be. They will have no information about your child and as you can appreciate, they are extremely busy first thing in the morning.

Please remember to consent on Arbor so I have a record of your child attending.

Please wait patiently outside the school building when collecting your child at 9.10am.

We hope to see your child confident in the water at the trial.

Many thanks,

Mrs Broughton
PE Subject Leader