

Bluefins Lessons News

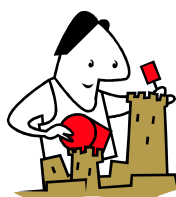


July 2009

Summer Break

Lessons stop for the summer as usual. The last lesson for each day will be:

Mon: 27th July
Tues: 21st July
Wed: 22nd July
Thurs: 16th July
Fri: 24th July
Sat: 25th July
Sun: 19th July



All dates are posted on the noticeboards at Cranbourne and QMC.

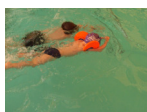
We start back again on 1st September - please see the enclosed Lesson Confirmation letter for start dates and times next term.

Fees

Bluefins Finance Committee has worked really hard to keep fees down this year in spite of rising costs in all areas. We are pleased to announce that the increase from 1st September will be only 50p per month, making our monthly rate still very competitive at only £15.

To make ends meet, our guaranteed number of lessons per year was reduced to 36 weeks per year for all new members since March 09. This will now apply to all members - but we will, as always, still provide 40 or even more lessons each year at no extra cost, where possible.

Intensive Holiday Course August 10th - 14th 2009



We have spaces still available on our holiday course at 2.00, 2.30 or 3.00 on the above dates. These courses are not only great fun, but give children chance to consolidate what they've learned in

lessons and by swimming every day for a week, they learn more quickly. All lessons are held over widths - a great opportunity to pick up on stroke technique. Places are open to all from aged 4 years - contact me if you or your friends are interested. The course is a real bargain at £7.50 for the whole week!

Website

Whenever possible, Bluefins puts messages on its website - so in times of stress, please check the website so you know what's going on: www.swimbluefins.org



Email, mobiles and updates

As you probably know, I use email and text messages frequently. PLEASE let me know if your email address changes so that I am able to reach you in the event of pool closures. Every term, I send you a copy of the details I have - please check these and let me know if anything has changed.



Club Championships

Congratulations to all those swimmers from lessons that swam in the Club Championships in May. We had the largest entry ever from lessons and everyone was very impressive!

Special mention goes to:

Henry Chui - 3rd U/9 25m Backstroke
Henry Chui - 2nd U/9 25m Breaststroke
Henry Chui - 3rd U/9 25m Freestyle
Kyla Waller - 1st St 3/5 25m Freestyle
Sarah Gibson - 2nd St 3/5 25m Freestyle
Millie Lockyer - 3rd St 3/5 25m Freestyle
Andrew Waller - 1st St 3/5 25m Freestyle
William Sadler - 2nd St 3/5 25m Freestyle
Benjamin Moseley - 3rd L3/6 25m Freestyle



I don't have space here for all the results, but you can find them all on the Bluefins Website. More importantly, we all had great fun!

Aimee Slimin with her medal – Stage 3/5 25m Freestyle

In addition, Henry Chui achieved **third place overall** in his age group, Under 9 – for these awards, the swims are added together to find the three best boys and girls in each age group. Bearing in mind Henry was competing against swimmers in our squads, he deserves a special pat on the back!



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Updated Teacher qualifications

Congratulations to Rebecca James, for passing her L1 Teachers courses. Jemma Rowlandson and Joanna Clarke are updating to L2 this month and Amy Barnes is taking her L1. Lots of our teachers are taking National Pool Lifeguard qualifications during the summer – good luck to them all!

Certificates and Badges

These are now ordered and given out automatically. Once your child has achieved an award, the certificate and badge will follow as soon as possible – sometimes before the end of term, but usually early in the next course.



Changing Rooms

PLEASE do not leave anything unattended in changing rooms. At QMC there are lockers available. At Cranbourne, your child should take his/her clothes onto poolside. We have no control over anyone entering the changing rooms and things do go missing!

Sunday lessons

I have been evaluating our Tadpoles sessions on Sunday mornings and have decided that there are just too many people in the pool for our very young children. We have therefore booked an extra half hour and will now run two Tadpoles sessions with fewer children (and helpers!) in each. This means a slight change to times for some other groups, but I'm sure will be of benefit to our 3 year olds in the long run.

Provisional Lessons Programme from Sept 09

Mon	CB	5.00	R	O	Y	G	S	
		5.30	R	O	Y	G	S	
		6.00	R	O		B	P	
Tue	CB	5.00	R	O	Y	G	S	
		5.30	R	O	Y	G	S	
		6.00	O	Y	G	B	P	
Wed	CB	5.00	R	O	Y	S		
		5.30	R	O	Y	G		
		6.00	R	O		B	P	
Thur	QMC	4.30	R	O	Y	G	S	
		5.00	R	O	Y	G	S	
		5.30	O			B	P	
Fri	CB	6.30	R	O	Y	G	S	
		7.00	R	Y	B	P		
Sat	CB	9.30	B	P				
		10.00	R	O	Y	Y	G	
		10.30	R	O	Y	G	S	
		11.00	R	O	Y	G		
		11.30	R	O	Y			
Sun	CB	9.30	R	O	B	P		
		10.00	R	O	Y	Y	G	
		10.30	R	Tadpoles x 3				
		11.00	R	Tadpoles x 3				
		11.30	R	O	Y	S		

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