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Thursday 20th June

Dear parents/carers of

We are delighted to be able to organise Chesterton's fifth intra-school swimming gala. As you may remember, we decided to name our annual swimming event '**The Hannah Barnes Trophy**' in memory of a beloved member of our school community who sadly passed away in 2018. Although a familiar face on the playground to those of you with children here at the time, you may not have known that Hannah was an extremely talented swimmer who competed internationally as a junior, therefore we felt that it would be a small, but fitting tribute.



I'm sure that every team will be looking to be the fifth to get their names on the trophy, after Evie Collett and her Starfish triumphed in 2023. The children will be divided into four equally matched teams, captained by some of our keen Year 6 swimmers: **Luca Steptoe, Connie Brennan, Holly Burlow and Oliver Gibb.**

We have used Sport Premium Funding to pay for the hire of the pool and coach travel back from the venue, so there is no charge to parents on this occasion. **The gala will take place at Bicester Leisure Centre on Wednesday 17th July.**

The event starts at **9.15am**, so we would ask that pupils be taken straight to the Leisure Centre for **9.00am** where they will be met and registered by a member of Chesterton staff. Any children who attend Breakfast Club can be transported to the event by a member of staff. We will be finishing by approximately 10.30am.

We will transport the children back from the venue by coach.

The children will take part in a series of individual and relay races (25m each) against children of approximately the same age/confidence level. Children will need to have a full swimming kit, two towels, a t-shirt, a water bottle and a snack. Parents will be more than welcome to watch from the upstairs gallery.

Please return the slip to the office by Wednesday 4th July.

Yours, Mr Horner

I give permission for my child _____ to attend the Hannah Barnes Swimming Gala at the Bicester Leisure Centre on Wednesday 17th July.

I am able to transport my child **to** the event for 9.00am.

My child will be attending Breakfast Club and will need a lift **to** the venue.

I understand that they will be travelling back from the venue by coach.

Signed: _____ Date: _____