

Swimming at Fitzalan High School from September 2021



We just wanted to update you on what moving to alert level 0 means for your swimming lessons. We know things have been different regarding teachers out of the water, spectators, changing rooms, mask wearing and more and we are so appreciative of all your co-operation and patience. We hope you agree that our lessons have been the same high quality and fun for you and your little ones but we know we all want to go back to 'normal' as soon as possible.

The Puddle Ducks experience may still not be the same for everyone because some pools may still insist on certain procedures to ensure the ongoing safety of everyone who uses the pool.

What you can be assured of is that, along with our governing body, STA, we will continue to put your safety and the safety of our teams as our top priority. To this end, we wanted to cover the main areas that have been affected by Covid restrictions and how these might now start to look.

We have also updated our FAQs so if you would also like to read about what, as your chosen swim school, Puddle Ducks is doing to keep you, your child and our team members safe, we have summarised all the steps we are continuing to take [here](#).

Parking

Please park in the Swimming Pool/Sports Centre car park (the first entrance on Lawrenny Avenue – not the main school car park).

Arrival time

Please aim to arrive in the building no more than 5 minutes before the start of your lesson. Please can all swimmers arrive 'swim ready' (i.e. with swimwear under their clothes beforehand - we appreciate that those children still in nappies might need a nappy change just before their lessons). Enter through the main entrance, remove shoes in the lobby and proceed poolside. Change for your class there and leave belongings poolside during the class. After the class, take your belongings to the changing room to change there.

We need to minimise the amount of time spent in the changing rooms to give our team time to clean them between each class, so unfortunately the showers are out of use.

Spectators

Spectators are permitted – please remove shoes in the lobby and come poolside to watch the class. Strictly no photography during the class please.

Poolside Assistants

Our Poolside Assistant is still there to help with additional cleaning.



Face Coverings

We will be encouraging the adults who attend our lessons to wear a Face Covering inside the pool building (but not in the pool) and our team members will still wear Face Coverings as they move around the building.

Entering the pool area

Please continue to use hand sanitiser before entering the pool area.