Swimming at Priory Witham Academy from September 2020



We are so excited to welcome you back to the pool. As with many things in life, there are some new procedures that you need to be aware of at your chosen venue. You will find everything you need to know about Priory Witham Academy below – please read it very carefully.

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 taking including our risk assessment procedure, cleaning and hygiene regimes and temporary changes to the way our lessons will be run here.

Arrival time

Please do not arrive any earlier than 10 minutes before your lesson starts. This should give you enough time to get poolside and prevents lots of people from waiting around in spaces which may be too small to handle it in the current situation.

Arriving Swim-Ready

You (For level 1 and 2 parents) and your child should arrive swim-ready at the venue i.e. with your swimming costume/trunks on underneath your clothes. This is the changing rooms will not be accessible prior to your classes.

You will be asked to change poolside so please bring only the essentials (keeping valuables to a minimum) and one large bag to put everything in as this will be left poolside. Bags can be left near the poolside showers as these are currently closed and won't be used.

Spectators

We can only allow one adult per child into the pool hall to ensure we are able to practice social distancing more effectively. You can wait for your child outside or if you wish to wait inside please use the poolside benches and refrain from moving around the pool hall. Please adhere to the social distancing markers on the benches. We would encourage you to wear a mask whilst spectating. Those in the pool won't need to wear a mask. Please leave via the changing rooms to follow the one way system and you will need to leave the pool hall as soon as the class is over.

Parking at the venue

There is plenty of parking in front of the main school building Please adhere to social distancing where possible in the car park.

Entering the building

The building can be entered through the main entrance into the lobby. Hand sanitiser will be available in the Lobby so we would ask that you sanitise your hands on arrival and when leaving the building.

Signing in/Letting us know you are here

There will be a Poolside Assistant present ticking off registers and helping you know where to go the Poolside Assistant will be wearing a facemask to protect both the customer and themselves.

Toilets

If you require the toilet before your lesson please ask the poolside assistant. There will be cleaning wipes in the toilet areas and we would ask that you wipe the seat and flush system and taps before and after use.

Changing rooms

The changing rooms will be available for use after your lesson. The poolside assistant will advise you where to go. The changing rooms all have changing cubicles. There may be some unavailable to help with social distancing so please only use those that are open.

Entering the pool area

Please wash your hands before entering the pool area. There is hand sanitiser in the lobby or you can use your own if you prefer.

Please follow directional signage at the pool and ask the Poolside Assistant if you are unsure of the way.

Please wait poolside, keeping socially distant from other customers and pool users wherever possible, until the teacher indicates it is time for you to enter the pool.

Exiting the pool area after your lesson

The poolside assistant will be on hand to show you where you can get changed. We advise that you bring easy, comfortable clothing for both you and your child – items like onesies might be easiest for children to get changed quickly and keep them warm.

Leaving the building

When you are ready to leave the building, please wash your hands or use the hand sanitiser provided and make your way to your car park.