**Birchwood High School**

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11 January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

**District Swimming Gala Thursday 25th January 2024**

As a school we are entering a number of swimmers in this year’s Bishop’s Stortford and District Swimming Gala. I have spoken to your child about their swimming ability and their availability and, as a result, I am pleased to inform you they have been selected to swim in the gala.

The gala will be held at Bishop’s Stortford College from 12.30 – approx. 4.15 pm.  We will depart from Birchwood after break time and return to school by 4.15pm.  We will travel by school minibus, but if you can collect your child from Bishop’s Stortford College please let me know on the reply form below.

Students should bring a packed lunch, water, and full swimming kit.  Time will be given to swimmers to eat before we leave school.

Students participating are expecting to observe the following regulations:

* Swimmers are not permitted to eat or drink at the poolside.
* They must only take swimming kit to the event as there is no room for school bags. School bags may be left in school or on the minibus.
* Mobile phones are not allowed at poolside.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs C Sieczko**

PE Teacher

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**Reply slip –** (*Please return to Mrs C Sieczko)*

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Student’s name:…………………………………………………. Form:……………………

I give permission for my child to participate in the above event and understand they will either be collected from the college or come back on the minibus and be collected from Birchwood.

\*I will/will not be collecting my child from Bishops Stortford College.

Contact number:………………………………………………………………………………………………….

Signed:………………………………………………………....(Parent/Carer) Date:……………………..

Please print name:……………………………………………………….………….…………..(Parent/Carer)

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