

Welcome to the November update with news on Jamaica's national learn to swim programme.

SwimJamaica Children's Programme

The programme continues to grow with over 220 students enrolled this term. Half of the students are sponsored from inner city communities by SwimJamaica and the National Housing Trust.



This term we welcome students from Crescent Road Basic School, Denham Town Primary School, St. Alban's Primary School and Yadar Kindergarten & Prep School onto the programme. We also welcome students in the new afternoon Private Classes and through the NHT.

These students join those currently on the programme from the American International School of Kingston, Boys Town Basic School, Joy Town Learning Centre, Smurfs Early Childhood Centre, Sunrise Nursery & Kindergarten and Victory Basic School.

SwimJamaica Career Development Programme

The fifth Trainee Instructor course was held in October with nine people. The three-day, Trainee Instructor course enables a person to teach levels 1 and 2 of the Children's Programme



The second Assistant course was held in November with three people. The two-day Assistant course enables a person to assist an Instructor with swimming lessons.

A workshop for SwimJamaica instructors and ASAJ coaches on 'Results Driven Leadership: Both In and Out of the Water' was presented by Dr. Brad McRae earlier this month. The workshop was well received and included topics such as motivation and goal setting.

Partnership with the NHT Established

The National House Trust Inner City Housing Project is sponsoring 32 children on the Children's Programme from the Board Villa Community in Denham Town. Lessons take place at the UWI pool on Saturday mornings.



Successful Fundraising Workshop

We say a big thank you to Brad McRae who presented a very popular two-day workshop on the Seven Strategies of Master Negotiators for corporate Jamaica and donated the proceeds to SwimJamaica.

We also thank those that sponsored the workshop; the University College of the Caribbean (who partnered with SwimJamaica in marketing and organising the event) and Suzi Design (who designed the promotional materials).

The proceeds will be used to further develop SwimJamaica and provide additional inner city sponsored places.

Brad has generously offered to return in February to present two more workshops. We look forward to his return and an ongoing partnership with UCC.

SwimJamaica Sponsorship

We are grateful to all our sponsors Sun Island for their ongoing donation of children's t-shirts and staff uniforms Jamaica Constabulary Force for transporting students from Boys Town & Victory Basic Schools



SwimJamaica Office Set Up

We are setting up an office at the stadium pool. We would appreciate any donations of office furniture including: office chairs, filing cabinets, bookcase, whiteboard and notice board. If you can assist with any of these items please call Peter Moore on 926-1514 or email info@swimjamaica.com.

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