

# Update



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**Welcome** to the May update with news on Jamaica's National learn to swim programme.

## SwimJamaica Receives Endorsements

This month SwimJamaica received endorsements from the Early Childhood Commission and Mayor of Kingston & St. Andrew. Dr. Samms-Vaughan, CEO of the Early Childhood Commission endorsed the SwimJamaica Programme saying it is an important activity that will prove not only beneficial to children's health and survival, but also to their socio-economic development by encouraging discipline, co-operation, participation and fair competition.

Mayor McKenzie said that he hoped the Swimming Association and the KSAC will be able to find common areas of co-operation to enhance the SwimJamaica programme.

## SwimJamaica Children's Programme



The Children's Programme continues to grow with lessons taking place at five pools this term. We welcome students from Ananda Marga Kinder Prep School who have joined the Programme at the Stadium pool. Lessons continue to

take place at the American International School of Kingston with some students working through Level 5.

## SwimJamaica Adult Programme

An enthusiastic group of beginners and improvers meet every Monday evening from 6 - 7pm at the Stadium pool. For further information, call the office on 926-1514 or email [info@swimjamaica.com](mailto:info@swimjamaica.com)

## SwimJamaica Career Development Programme

Congratulations to Marie Bennett, Georgina Boland, Jannett Anderson-Villiers and Rohan Whyte who have recently passed the Instructor training course; SwimJamaica's top training course.

Instructor training courses will be running over the summer. Contact the office or go to [www.swimjamaica.com](http://www.swimjamaica.com) for course dates and further information.

A team building day was run for the SwimJamaica instructional team by New Generation at the end of last term. The day was fun; teaching the importance of good team work and communication through group activities.

## Web Site Updated

SwimJamaica's web site has been updated with some new pages. Go to [www.swimjamaica.com](http://www.swimjamaica.com)

## SwimJamaica Franchising being Piloted

The expansions of SwimJamaica across the island will take place mainly through franchising. SwimJamaica trained instructors will be able to purchase a franchise and run their own SwimJamaica swim school with the backing and support of the organisation.

This term we are piloting two franchises of the Children's Programme with Holy Childhood Prep school (after school classes) and Georgina Boland, using St. Andrews High School pool (Saturday classes)



## National Housing Trust

The NHT are continuing their sponsorship of children from Board Villa Community (Denham Town) to learn to swim. Lessons take place at the University of the West Indies pool on Saturday mornings with some students already in Level 3 of the Children's Programme. After lessons lunch is provided for the children by the NHT.

## SwimJamaica Summer Programme

Our second Summer Programme will begin July 10 at the National stadium pool. There will be

- The SwimJamaica Children's Programme; where children complete a level over 10 days
- The SwimJamaica Adult Programme; adults can sign in for a number of lessons
- One 2 One classes; children or adults can sign up for more individual classes
- Taster courses; for schools/organisations to experience 5 sessions with SwimJamaica.

All courses are led by our trained, experienced and lifeguard-qualified instructional team. Contact the office or go to [www.swimjamaica.com](http://www.swimjamaica.com) for further information.

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