WATER SAFETY BRIEFING FOR STUDENTS



OUTLINE OF THE TALK

Why understand Water Safety?

Facts about drowning

Safety in and around water bodies







seas

rivers

reservoirs

lakes

ponds

quarries

water fountains

fish ponds

swimming pools

flooded areas

bath tubs

WATER BODIES





WATER BODIES HAVE INHERENT DANGERS UNKNOWN TO MANY

MANY DROWNING ACCIDENTS WERE CAUSED BY VICTIMS'
IGNORANCE OF THE DANGERS IN AND AROUND WATER
BODIES

MANY DROWNING ACCIDENTS ARE PREVENTABLE

AWARENESS OF THE DANGERS WILL SAVE LIVES

FACTS ABOUT DROWNING

DROWNING ACCIDENTS INVOLVE **SWIMMERS** AND **NON-SWIMMERS**

DROWNING OCCURS WHEN ONE IS <u>TIRED</u>, <u>INJURED</u> OR <u>UNDER THE</u> <u>INFLUENCE OF DRUGS OR ALCOHOL</u>

UNFAMILIAR WITH THE SURROUNDING WATER BODY MAY RESULT IN DROWNING ACCIDENTS

FACTS ABOUT DROWNING

IT TAKES ABOUT **20 TO 60 SECONDS** FOR ONE TO STRUGGLE BEFORE HE OR SHE SINKS UNDERWATER



ONE CAN DROWN IN WATER AS SHALLOW AS **5 CM**



SAFETY AT SWIMMING POOL

OBEY ALL SAFETY RULES AND SIGNS

INFORM YOUR SWIMMING INSTRUCTOR,
TEACHERS OR PARENT VOLUNTEERS
IMMEDIATELY IF YOU ARE ON MEDICATION /
FEELING UNWELL / JUST RECOVERED FROM AN
ILLNESS

MUST PUT ON THE GIVEN SWIMMING CAP AT ALL TIMES FOR EASY IDENTIFICATION

STRICTLY NO RUNNING & HORSEPLAYING (ROUGH, NOISY) WITHIN THE SWIMMING COMPLEX.

DO NOT JUMP OR DIVE INTO THE POOL.



SAFETY AT SWIMMING POOL

OBEY YOUR SWIMMING INSTRUCTORS, TEACHERS, PARENT VOLUNTEERS AND LIFEGUARDS OR POOL ATTENDANTS AT ALL TIMES

DO NOT ENTER THE POOL WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM THE SWIMMING INSTRUCTOR (SWIM WITH AN ASSIGNED BUDDY)

SEEK PERMISSION FROM THE TEACHERS OR PARENT VOLUNTEERS IF YOU NEED TO GO TO THE TOILET



- ■ALL P3 STUDENTS
- MANY DROWNING INCIDENTS AND SINGAPORE IS AN ISLAND SURROUNDED BY WATER.
- TO TEACH SWIMMING PROFICIENCY AND WATER SURVIVAL SKILLS IN A FUN MANNER

SCHEDULE

Classes	3 Diligence, 3 Honesty	3 Care, 3 Kindness, 3 Loyalty
Day	Tuesday	Thursday
Time	8.00am to 10.00am (Actual Lesson: 8.30am to 9.30am) * Pupils to report at the School Hall by 7.15am	
Dates	February 4, 11, 18 & 25 March 3, 10, 24 & 31 April 7, 14, 21 & 28	February 6, 13, 20 & 27 March 5, 12 & 26 April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
Venue	Ang Mo Kio Swimming Complex	

SWIMSAFER 2.0 PRACTICAL AND ONLINE TESTS

We will be conducting SwimSafer 2.0 Practical Assessment on the following dates at Ang Mo Kio Swimming Complex during the usual swimming lessons:

3 Diligence & 3 Honesty : 28 April 2020 (Tuesday)

3 Care, 3 Kindness & 3 Loyalty : 30 April 2020 (Thursday)

In order to receive a stage completion e-certificate, you are required to pass a **practical** assessment and an online theory quiz.

Kindly note that there is **no make-up session** for the practical assessment if you miss the above stipulated practical assessment dates.

Once the child passes both the practical assessment and online theory quiz, parents can download the SwimSafer 2.0 E-Certificates via ActiveSG members' account at the website:

https://members.myactivesg.com/auth



- HAVE A GOOD BREAKFAST AT HOME BEFORE COMING TO SCHOOL.
 - WEAR YOUR SWIMMING ATTIRE UNDERNEATH YOUR PE ATTIRE BEFORE COMING TO SCHOOL.
 - COME TO SCHOOL IN YOUR SCHOOL SHOES (PACK YOUR SLIPPERS IN YOUR SWIMMING BAG)
 - LESSONS AS PER NORMAL (CHECK TIMETABLE)
 - SWIMMING CAPS WILL BE GIVEN WITH GROUP NUMBER CLEARLY INDICATED ON THE CAPS. SWIM CAPS ARE TO BE WORN FOR ALL SWIMMING LESSONS. (DO NOT MISPLACE THE CAPS!)

- YOUR PHE TEACHER AND A PARENT VOLUNTEER WILL ACCOMPANY YOU TO THE SWIMMING COMPLEX
- CHANGE TO SLIPPERS IN CLASS DURING 1ST PERIOD BEFORE LEAVING YOUR CLASSROOM.
- BRING ALONG YOUR SWIMMING BAG AND YOUR VALUABLES
- SCHOOL BUS WILL TRANSPORT ALL OF US TO THE SWIMMING COMPLEX AND BACK TO SCHOOL.

THINK SAFE ACT SAFE BE SAFE

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: I HAVE NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE IN SWIMMING. IS IT SAFE?

A: STUDENTS WILL ALL BE GROUPED ACCORDING TO THEIR LEVEL OF PROFICIENCY. TEACHER-PUPIL RATIO IS 1:10

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: IS THE SWIMMING COMPULSORY?

A: ALL PUPILS ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SWIMMING PROGRAMME UNLESS THERE ARE STRONG MEDICAL REASONS FOR THE CHILD TO BE EXEMPTED. THE ABILITY TO SWIM IS PART OF MOVEMENT EDUCATION WITHIN THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION SYLLABUS. WATER SAFETY AND WATER SURVIVAL SKILLS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR A CHILD'S SAFETY.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: CAN I OPT OUT OF THE SWIMMING PROGRAMME IF I HAVE ALREADY POSSESS SWIMSAFER STAGE 1 CERTIFICATION?

A: NO. PUPILS WITH STAGE 1 CERTIFICATION SHOULD MOVE ON TO
STAGE 2 OR HIGHER IN ORDER TO ACQUIRE THE NECESSARY SWIMMING
SKILLS.