WIRRAL SCHOOL SWIMMING RISK ASSESSMENT – St Paul's Catholic Primary

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Risk	Possible Concerns	Control Measures
Transport	Vehicle condition and maintenance	Vehicle regularly serviced and checked over by driver before departure.
	Seatbelts	School minibus is fitted with seatbelts. Ensure all pupils are seated and wearing a seatbelt before departure.
Class organisation and management	Moving from transport/school to the pool	Route is planned prior to departure. No additional measures for specific pupils needed.
		Discuss with pupils how they will leave school and enter the transport safely before leaving school and departing transport.
Changing	Changing Areas	Changing areas within the centre to be used. See Europa Pools Risk Assessment for further details.
		Route from entrance to changing area will minimise contact with public and other groups.
	Supervision of changing	Two members of school staff will be present – one supervising each changing area.
Facilities	Entering and exiting the building	Sign in on entrance to the pool including providing pupil numbers.
		Enter via the agreed entrance and leave via agreed exit (See Wirral Council RE-opening od Pools Guidance COVID-19 at www.edsential.com/swimming)
Ratios	In line with pool/Edsential limits	All lessons will work with agreed ratios, dependent on experience of swimmers and the presence of a qualified member of school staff. Pool instructors 12:1 or 15:1. School staff 6:1

Staffing	Staff have qualifications and experience	Any staff leading a group will have the ASA Level 1 qualification needed to lead a group of up to 6 pupils. Staff have suitable experience teaching or working in a teaching/support role. At least one member of staff will have attended the pool prior to the visit.
	Staff knowledge of pupils	Staff attending have good knowledge of the pupils in the group (Class Teacher present).
	Supervision	School staff will ensure that there is always sufficient supervision of the group - in line with school guidelines. School Staff will ensure that the behaviour of children ensures that all children remain safe at all times.
	Communications of specific needs and/or medical conditions	Pool staff will be made aware of any specific needs (via Edsential) before the start of lessons if specific adaptation or support are required. School staff will communicate any
		medical needs or other issues at the start of lesson 1.
	Staff clothing and footwear	School staff will wear suitable clothing and footwear for teaching poolside.
Lessons	Teaching the curriculum	Lessons will be take place within the 'Programme of Study' set out by Edsential/ (<u>www.edsential.com/swimming</u>)
		Refer to Europa pool Risk Assessment for details of the hazards and controls for the swimming lesson.
	Assessment	All pupils take part in an assessment on day 1 to inform grouping and ensure that teaching is appropriate for the ability levels of children across the rest of the week.
	Equipment	School staff will support safe use of equipment at all times. See Europa Pools Risk Assessment for Covid-19 procedures regarding equipment.

Swimwear	Appropriate and safe swimwear	Guidelines for safe and appropriate swimwear can be found at www.edsential.com/swimming. This will be included on letters home to parents. School staff will ensure this is complied with across each lesson. If a child does not have swimwear which is safe/ appropriate, they will not take place in the lesson.
Procedures	Off-site visit procedures	EVC and HT to approval Risk Assessment via Evolve.
COVID-19	General	All schools staff and children will comply with the set procedures put in place by the pool to minimise the spread of infection.
	Hands	All pupils and staff to wash/ sanitise hands before leaving school and upon arrival.
	Entering and exiting	Enter and exit through identified points.
	Changing	Change in the changing areas following the lesson.
	Timings	Arrive no more than 10 minutes before the start of the lesson. Change and leave the site in a timely fashion to allow for cleaning (potential for lessons to finish early if this cannot happen).