**Swimming Pool Policy**

The purpose of this document is to set out the policy and provide guidance on Safe Practice in School Swimming and Water Safety. It aims to keep everyone involved at HLH swimming safe. Referenced are the policies and procedures of HLH based on current national guidelines in relation to School Swimming and Water Safety lessons and swimming pool safety, which may include water-based activities. This policy is not only to keep students and staff safe, but also to ensure the inclusion of a breadth of aquatic opportunities, which meet the needs of all students. Physical Education including Swimming is a National Curriculum Foundation Subject and thus Statutory. In particular, pupils should be taught to: • Swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25m • Use a range of strokes effectively, such as front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke • Perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations

This policy is the responsibility of Teacher in Charge of School Swimming and Water Safety and applies the Primary School Swimming Policy to all aspects of School Swimming.

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| **Swimming at HLH (staff)**   * Risk assessments | * One for each pupil * Ensuring that staff have read the policy * Ensuring that relevant insurance is in place * Ensuring that relevant training has taken place * Keeping copies of the contract with the pool * Ensuring that health and medical care is up to date for each pupil * Compliance with GDPR |
| **Risk assessment**   * Risk assessments of pool | * Staff are aware of the pool’s risk assessments * Temperature * Pool buildings * Safety equipment * Known medical conditions * Weather conditions |
| **Staff** | * Two adults must be present * Staff must be competent in their role * CPD Swim England Support Teacher of School Swimming and Water Safety |
| **Pupils** | * Appropriate swimwear * Goggles |
| **Safeguarding** | * Teacher to follow the pools safeguarding policy and procedures * HLH safeguarding policies * Educational visits policy |
| Review dates | * The paperwork must be reviewed after a six-week period |