

FONSAP

Friends of Newdigate School & Pre-School



Please find below all the information you need to book and use the pool.

Pool Costs:

- The pool can be hired for private use by one eligible family for £15 per hour, plus they can bring a guest family with them for an additional £5 (ie £20 in total). There can be a maximum of two households for a normal family pool session.
- **Parties** - the pool can be hired for a larger group of children (maximum 10) eg for a birthday party or other social occasion. A group session costs £25 per hour of swimming time plus an additional £15 if you would like to use the Rainbow Room (kitchen facilities) and/or the school field before or after the swim. Adults can be in the pool with any children who are non-swimmers.

Pool Sessions (approx times):

Weekends / School Holidays:

- 10am to 11am
- 11.30 to 12.30pm
- 1pm to 2pm
- 2.30pm to 3.30pm
- 4pm to 5pm
- 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Term time weekdays:

- 3.30pm to 4.30pm
- 5pm to 6pm
- 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Splash n Swim sessions are communal sessions for up to 8 children at £3 each

Pool procedures:

- The pool can be hired out to:
 - Families of current and past Newdigate School children
 - Families of current and past Newdigate Pre-School children
 - Newdigate School and Pre-School staff
 - St Michael's School (Mickleham) pupils
 - St Michael's School (Mickleham) staff
 - Staff of Dorking Schools Partnership schools
 - Pool volunteers
 - Local friends & family of those eligible (listed above) will also be able to use the pool but must be recommended to us by an eligible user and their contact details must be registered with us. If you would like to recommend a pool user please complete a Recommend A Pool User form on www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofnewdigateschool
- **There will be no lifesaver or first aider on duty. Parents will be responsible for their children in the water at all times.**
- **Children, including teenagers, must not use the pool without an adult present.**
- Please wear swim hats to minimise hair clogging the filters.
- The changing rooms will be available to use or families can arrive ready to swim.
- The toilets in the Rainbow Room will be open after school for the 5pm session, at weekends and during school holidays for pool users. Toilets are not usable after school during the 3.30pm session as the after school club uses them.

- Small inflatables and swim toys can be brought to the pool but must be clean, enjoyed sensibly and taken home at the end of the session.
- Session times are strictly one hour long. Please do not arrive before your timeslot. Please exit the pool, dry off and close/lock the pool gate by the end of your session time. Please leave the school grounds immediately.
- FONSAP pool volunteers will be responsible for removing the pool cover at the start of the day and testing the water. Please use the net at the beginning of your session if there is debris in the water. **If you have booked the final slot of the day, or no one has booked after you (please check the online booking system) please cover the pool.** Instructions will be left at the pool.
- **POOL GATES MUST BE LOCKED AT THE END OF THE SESSION.** The playground gate must be left open to allow access to the next users.

Booking:

To book a session please go to: www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofnewdigateschool
Or download the PTA Events app and use the code "friendsofnewdigateschool" and book via the app.

When booking a slot you will need to confirm that you have read and agree to the pool rules (see below). Pool volunteers often pop down to the pool for maintenance reasons. **If you are observed breaking the rules you will not be allowed to hire the pool.**

There will be a small booking fee and online payment fee added before checkout. **Please check-out one session at a time** because if we need to refund a session for any reason, this can't be done if a bulk booking has been made. Refunds are usually only made due to thunder/lightening preventing swimming.

Access:

On arrival at the pool gates you will need to use a code to open the lock. **Please read your booking confirmation email carefully as it will include the access code.** The code will be changed on a regular basis.

Contact:

If there is a problem with the pool eg if a child has a toilet accident or if there is another problem with the water, please contact the school office if it is open. Alternatively, call Pippa Bennett on 07810 184717, Carole Chaplin on 07879635581 or Sue Chiverton on 07511935505. For any non-urgent queries, please email newdigateschoolpool@outlook.com

Please do come and use our wonderful pool. We are so lucky to have this facility!

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Newdigate Swimming Pool Rules

- 1. No swimmer should come to the pool if they are showing any of the symptoms of Covid.**
- A parent or older sibling over the age of 18 years must accompany children and supervise their children at all times. Unaccompanied children are not allowed on the school site.
- All swimmers to wear swimming hats to prevent filters from clogging up with hair.
- 4. Parents to be vigilant at all times. Parents of non-swimmers are asked to be extra vigilant. There are no life savers or first aiders in attendance. Swimmers use the pool at their own risk.** Those with babies should bathe with them and must be responsible for their safety. Non-swimmers may not go beyond the white painted line in the shallow end.
- Babies under 2 years and toddlers not toilet trained must wear swim nappies.
- Swimmers on medication or with a medical condition, eg asthma, must keep their medication close by.
- Small inflatables, floats and toys can be brought to the pool but should be clean and rinsed before use (due to risk of Weil's disease).
- Food and drink must not be consumed within the pool area. **Smoking and drinking alcohol are not permitted on the school site.**
- 9. No running around, standing on the wall or jumping in or diving off the wall.** Access to the pool is only permitted through the footbath and steps. **(Please enter the water backwards down the steps).**
- Children hold on to the handrails using their hands only as their arms can become stuck behind the handrail. They must not lean on them with their arms or particularly their elbows. Children must not use the handrails to climb out. Children must not put their hands in the skimmer inflow / filters.
- No swimming if suffering with an infection or within 48 hours of sickness or diarrhoea. Verrucas must be covered by a latex sock.
- If the pool is contaminated with faeces, vomit or a large amount of blood, leave the pool, remove any solid contamination with the net and contact the pool team as the pool will need to be closed for 24 hours.
- If the blue rope is hanging down from the rolled up cover, please move it up on to the cover so there is no risk from the hanging rope.
- 14. Please leave the pool immediately if there is a storm (thunder and lightning) and only return to the water 30 minutes after the last thunder.**
- If closing the pool, please refer to the instructions attached to the pool gates.
- 16. Please lock the pool gates after your swim to for safety reasons.** Please always leave the playground gates open otherwise the next swimmers can't access the pool.

Please note: Surrey County Council, its Officers and employees, governors and staff of Newdigate School, and FONSAP members cannot accept any liability for any loss or damage to property or injury to persons using the swimming pool.

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