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Dear Parents and Swimmers,

I am Noreen; as you know from Irena's previous newsletter, my sister Irene and I have purchased the Swim School. You'll see us around from time to time.

Please be assured that all will remain the same, the only difference being that Irena is leaving for the UK. It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Irena as she would be leaving for the UK towards the end of June. She has really touched many lives with her generosity over the 20 years that she was in business. We would like to take this opportunity to wish Irena well in her new venture.

We'll remain open throughout the winter and during the school holidays, as usual. Both the pools and the change rooms are heated, so keep bringing your children to their lessons, and you'll see the progress. Remember that winter swimming is good for asthma and allergies, the deep controlled breathing is great for lung strength, and moderate exercise helps to fight infections! Swimmers who we transport on Monday and/or Wednesday will be collected in the mornings during the government school holidays, that is 3rd July – 21h July. Those who we transport on Tuesday and/or Thursday afternoons will be collected at the usual time. So make sure they are at school with their kit on swimming days! If your child will be away during the school holidays it would help us to plan the drivers' routes if you could let us know ahead of time.

Parents of children who we transport, please make sure that every item your child is wearing or brings – including towels, socks and underwear – is clearly labeled with your child's name.

Our annual fee increase will come into effect on the 1st July. We have kept it as low as possible, but we have to increase the monthly fees as follows for the next twelve months:

- Twice Weekly – R570
- Once Weekly – R340
- Saturday – R415
- Saturday Plus Once During the Week – R645
- Individual Lessons – R215 each

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Some parents report difficulty in finding swimwear at this time of the year. Mr Price Sport have cycle shorts with a lining, which are suitable for the boys. Ackerman's and Woolworths in Greenstone, if you look in the school uniform section also have some swimwear.

Thank you to those who regularly support our collection of 2 litre and 500 ml cooldrink bottles to help the Siphumelele young people. The bin is close to the house, clearly labelled. The bottles are used to make 'foops', small seats of various designs and colours, providing employment for the young people after they leave school and have to leave the home. More bottles are always welcome!

Remember that we'll be asking for payment of January's fees along with December's. If you would like to prepare for this ahead of time by making additional payments each month between now and the end of the year, you're welcome to do so.

We notice that many of our swimmers are coming without their swimming caps. They are available for R35 each, as we cannot continue to lend our Swim School caps.

Thank you, as always, for your support, and have a happy and healthy winter.

Very best wishes,
Irena's Swim School