

First Splashes: An introduction and Terms and Conditions

FREE swimming lessons for babies aged 3-6 months at Mairangi Swim School

Welcome, we are excited to share our baby swimming programme First Splashes with you. This time in your baby's life is filled with new experiences and new learnings, as it is for parents and caregivers as well! We look forward to introducing the basics of swimming and water safety to you and your baby.

Our aims for our First Splashes classes are:

1. To teach developmentally appropriate aquatic skills and water safety skills.
2. To use a range of activities that stimulate physical development in the child.
3. To introduce water safety routines to the baby and parents or caregivers.

Parents as first teachers

Since birth you have formed a bond with your child, you understand your baby best and the ways they communicate to you, their caregiver. Therefore, the parents/caregivers are best placed to be baby's first swimming teacher; you will be in the water with your child (1 child: 1 parent/caregiver). Our trained teachers will lead the activities and teach the parent's/caregivers how to teach and progress their children's aquatic and water safety skills. Teachers will show you how to hold your child in the water to best aide their aquatic and physical development, how to progress your child, and point out important cues your child is displaying (your child's way of communicating readiness to learn new skills to you).

First Splashes Class Times

Class activities are specifically targeted to the developmental needs of babies aged 3-9months. However, the classes are suitable for babies up to 12months. Class times do change from time to time, please contact the office to confirm class times.

Monday 2.20pm

Tuesday 1.20pm and 1.50pm

Wednesday 1.40

Thursday 1.50pm

Friday 2.00pm

Terms and Conditions of First Splashes classes

These Terms and Conditions are unique to our First Splashes classes, and some are different from our generic Terms and Conditions. Once your baby is six months old, the generic Term and Conditions will apply to their swimming lessons (a copy of these is available on the website, or at the office).

- Limited spaces available, subject to availability. We can waitlist your child for preferred classes.
- First Splashes classes are not available in conjunction with any other offer.
- First Splashes lessons are not exchangeable or transferable.
- Each baby aged between three and six months (at the time of the lesson) is eligible for one free swimming lesson each week. We may request age verification.
- No make ups will be available for missed lessons. However, we ask that you inform us if you are to be absent. After two weeks of uninformed absence we may remove your baby from the class.

Once your baby turns six months old, you will begin to pay fees to reserve your child's place in the class. For example: if your baby turns six months old on the 13th of March, they will pay fees from their next and all subsequent lessons. Your child can remain in the First Splashes class once they turn six months old, as First splashes classes are designed to be age and stage appropriate for children up to 12-15 months depending on their development. Or, once your child is six months old, should you wish to move into a Baby and Toddler class you are most welcome to.

We hope you enjoy our First Splashes classes - we certainly love teaching them.

