Chippenham ASC Welfare Newsletter

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I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of some changes that have been made to the Welfare Officers for Chippenham Swimming Club. After many years of flying the flag on her own, Karen Tucker has stepped aside as Welfare Officer and Caroline Lavelle and Sonia Ward have kindly taken over this role. Karen will continue to provide a supportive role; helping Sonia and Caroline to find their feet.

Caroline and Sonia both teach for the Swimming Club and they both have children who are taught by the club. Sonia teaches on a Thursday evening and Caroline can be found on poolside on Tuesday and Thursday nights. However she can also be found spectating on other nights

The role of the Welfare Officer is to ensure that all the swimmers are kept safe , to provide a first point of contact for children and adults within the club who have a safeguarding or welfare concern. The Welfare Officer is also responsible for ensuring that the club has the appropriate policies and procedures in place.

The Welfare Officer is additionally responsible for ensuring that all adults who have regular contact with the swimmers are DBS checked and that these are renewed on a three yearly basis.

DBS Information

Anyone who has regular contact with children should be DBS checked.

When you first start helping a DBS check will be undertaken, this is then renewed on a 3 yearly basis.

The DBS check is completed on-line. It requires you entering proof of ID and address via the on-line system. These will then need to be verified by either Sonia or Caroline.

In order to have your information verified you will need to meet up with either Sonia and Caroline with the required documentation. In order for this to happen, you will be contacted to arrange an appropriate time for this to take place.

If you have any welfare concerns please contact either Sonia or Caroline. They can be contacted via the link on the Welfare Section on the Club Web Page.

Alternatively please feel free to talk to them in person.