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Outstanding Achievement Award for one of our Swimming Teachers

Sarah Vine recently received an Outstanding Achievement Award for Swimming Teaching.

Sarah joined the staff of Brighton Swimming School in July 2007.

She had a limited background in swimming and enrolled as an apprentice with Brighton Swimming Teachers Centre/ Northbrook College on their "Swim Up" programme.

After working very hard Sarah completed her swimming teaching qualifications and achieved her Level 2 Apprenticeship well ahead of schedule along with a number of other sports industry awards which she researched

herself.

Sarah also volunteered to be in the pilot group of our new level 3 Swimming Coaching Apprenticeship and completed it in January of this year.

Throughout this time Sarah skilfully balanced all of her learning with a full time Assistant Swimming Co-ordinators post which included teaching in the evenings and at weekends.

Sarah's development has also been the feature of a case study undertaken by Skills Active (the sector skills council for the leisure industry) Her progress and achievement is profiled on

their careers website and used as an example of success within the leisure industry.



Sarah receiving her award from the Principle of Northbrook College - David Percival

Celebrity Spotting on Brighton Beach



Suggs from Madness recently arranged to meet Brighton Swimming Club for a winter sea swim whilst making a documentary about the "British Seaside out of Season". Paul Smith, who is an avid open water swimmer, went down to meet him.

Paul commented "I listened to madness a lot in my teens and have many happy memories of seeing them in concert. It was great to finally meet Suggs who I found to be a very down to earth and likeable person!"

Red Nose Teach



Thanks to all of you who kindly donated money and 'fed' our Red Nose Day nose during our Red Nose Teaching sessions in March.

We are proud to announce that we raised:

£101

Thank You!

Meet the Staff: Nik



Nik is one of the longest standing members in the Brighton Swimming School Team.

He first joined us over 10 years ago as an assistant with no official swimming qualifications.

Nik has since progressed through all of the available training and became a qualified ASA Level 2 Teacher in 2005.

He currently teaches classes of all levels at both of our

term time venues, Roedean and St. Mary's Hall.

Nik was awarded our 'Teacher of the Term' award in the Winter Term for his continued contributions to our swimming school and for the excellent rapport he has built with his classes and their parents.

We asked Nik a few quick questions about him and about working for BSS:

What is your favourite swimming stroke?

Breaststroke

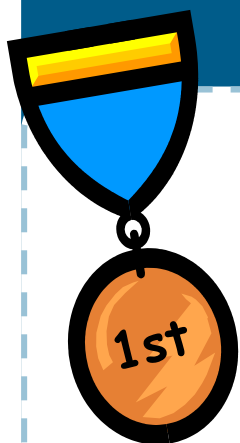
What do you like about working for BSS?

The level of job satisfaction from seeing your classes progress and achieve new things.

What are your interests when you're not at the swimming pool with us?

Windsurfing, windsurfing, windsurfing!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE A STAFF MEMBER FOR THE 'TEACHER OF THE TERM' AWARD PLEASE LET US KNOW



SWIM SCHOOL GALA

Tuesday 16th June

St. Mary's Hall, 5pm to 7pm

Open to: Improvers 2 level or above

More information coming soon
or
Contact us for more details




SUMMER INTENSIVE SWIMMING COURSES

Brighton College

2009 PROGRAMME

We are offering a comprehensive Swimming Programme during the Summer Holidays at Brighton College on Eastern Road in Brighton.

All the courses are 5 days long and are being held on the following dates:

Week 1

Monday 27th July – Friday 31st July

Week 2

Monday 3rd August – Friday 7th August

For more Information or to Book:
Call - 01273 425745
Email - info@brightonswimmingschool.com

Do you know...
 ...what our  -Shirt colours mean?



SESSION
SUPERVISOR



TEACHER



TEACHER IN THE
WATER
OR
ASSISTANT



LIFEGUARD

SAFETY is our middle name, next to SWIMMING!

Brighton **Swimming School**

says

Be **Safe Swimming**

Providing high quality swimming lessons is at the forefront of our plans at Brighton Swimming School but for us it is also joined by the important aspect of safety.

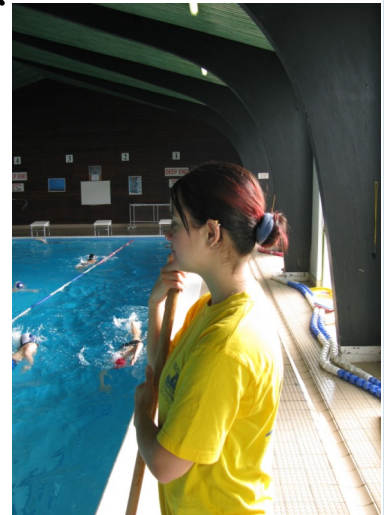
Swimming pools are naturally dangerous environments but when all the correct safety measures are put in place they can be a fun and safe learning environment.

Every one of our swimming sessions has up to two lifeguards keeping watch of the whole pool setting, preventing any potential hazards or accidents. There is also a Supervisor to oversee the session and ensure that everything is running in line with our company policies.

Although you only see our staff for a short time each week at the swimming pools a lot more has gone, and continues to go, into their preparation and training.

All staff must complete an induction and shadow shift before becoming a full member of our staff. This includes learning about our facilities and our specific company policies. Lifeguards must attend regular monthly training to keep their knowledge up to date and there is continued training for all staff throughout the year covering new and old topics.

Even further behind the scenes a monthly Health and Safety meeting takes place to review the running of the swimming school and introduce any new measures necessary.



So rest assured you are in safe hands when you attend lessons at Brighton Swimming School.

Meet the Staff: Philippa

Philippa is quite a new member of the swim school team but has been a very valuable asset.

After gaining her NPLQ lifeguarding qualification and ASA Level 1 Certificate for Teaching Swimming Philippa decided to come and gain experience within our teaching structure.

She is currently working at one of our teaching pools, St. Mary's Hall, on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Teacher of the Term title was awarded to Philippa in our Easter term in recognition of her advancement within the swimming industry, her reliable and professional manner and her friendly and caring nature towards any of the classes she is involved with.

We asked Philippa a few quick questions about herself and about working for BSS:

What is your favourite swimming stroke?

Front Crawl

What do you like about working for BSS?

Being able to work as part of such a good team.

What are your interests when you're not at the swimming pool with us?

I am involved in volunteer work for organisations such as the Girl Guides.





Fundraising Day

On Sunday 24th May 2009 some of our swimming teachers, assistants and lifeguards, along with other swimming enthusiasts, will be taking part in a sponsored Channel Swim Challenge at Roedean Pool. As a relay each team will swim the 21 mile distance of the English Channel.

The aim of the sponsored swim is to raise money for five different charities:

Help for Heroes, Raystede Centre for Animal Welfare, Chestnut Tree Children's Hospice, RNLI and Sussex Cancer Fund.

There will also be other activities throughout the day such as a cake sale, raffle, first aid demonstrations, tombola and many other games. So we would like to invite you, all your friends and family to come along and cheer on your favourite swimming school staff and take part in the other games and activities we have going on.

For more details on the event please see our website
www.swimmingpoolchannelswim.co.uk



NEW

LOOK WEBSITE



Same address but with a stunning new look:

www.brightonswimmingschool.com

Need swimming accessories?
 Stuck for present ideas?

Look no further!

BSS swim shop is now open:

- Goggles
- Armbands
- Towels
- Hats
- Aqua Sack
- Neoprene Warm Suits
- Car Sticker



Contact the office or visit our website for more information

FREE AND DISCOUNTED SWIMMING LESSONS...

TTL are 'Teacher Training Lessons' now run by Brighton Swimming School in conjunction with our sister company Brighton Swimming Teachers Centre, who run courses to train people to become swimming teachers. For these, candidates need to have the chance to teach proper classes.

As the teachers are in training or enhancing their skill these lessons run at rock bottom prices...

Please contact us or pick up a leaflet to find out more information about how the courses run or the next suitable course for you. We will be happy to answer any questions you have.

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Pavilion Training

Whether you are a child care provider, a carer for the elderly or are just seeking to learn new skills, Pavilion Training offers courses that can increase your knowledge, as well as your employability and make you an asset in an emergency.

Our certificated courses are valid for three years from the date of completion and comply with Government Legislation. These include courses in Paediatric First Aid, First Aid at Work, Emergency Aid for Appointed Persons, Food Safety in Catering and Health and Safety. Providing high quality tuition at the most affordable price possible is paramount.

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