

Year 6 Swimming Competency

Here at Nightingale Primary School, the children are extremely fortunate to attend swimming lessons in our very own onsite, outdoor swimming pool. Swimming lessons begin for pupils as early as Year 1, and children continue to attend lessons during the summer and autumn terms until they reach the end of Year 6. Our swimming lessons are taught by qualified swimming instructors who teach and assess the children's progress in their swimming/water skills. This means that every child **should** leave Nightingale Primary School equipped with the skills needed to keep themselves safe in the water, allowing them to enjoy swimming, during and beyond their primary years, with friends and family.

Swimming competence of our current Year 6 pupils (2020-2021) is as follows:

National Curriculum Requirement	Percentage of Year 6 pupils
Swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres	76%
Use a range of strokes effectively	76%
Perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations	76%

This information relates to our current Year 6 cohort from their time in these lessons.

Schools can choose to use the Primary P.E. and Sport Premium to provide additional provision for swimming but this must be for activity over and above the national curriculum requirements. We hope that, in the future, we can use this funding to engage in local swimming competitions, which could hopefully be held in our swimming pool at school.

We are extremely proud to have an onsite swimming pool at Nightingale Primary School and feel that it is an incredible asset to both the school and our pupils. Having the privilege to run our swimming lessons on site enables us to deliver swimming opportunities to more children, enabling the onset of high-quality swimming provision and experiences at an earlier stage in all pupils' primary education.