



Swimming Provision 2022-2023

At Whinney Banks Primary School, we are fully committed to giving our pupils a broad and balanced curriculum. We know that swimming is a vital life skill that all pupils should have.

Research shows that children who do not learn to swim at primary school are more likely to become one of the one-in-five adults unable to swim.

In order to fulfil our commitment to giving our pupils the best start in life, we have been targeting swimming in Year 3 and 4, with the aim that all children will leave Year 6 being able to swim 25 metres.

Year	Cohort	% that can swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 meters	Additional information
2022-2023	115 pupils	57 %	Children are able to use a range of strokes effectively and perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations.

In order to improve % in swimming ability and confidence by the end of year 6 we have introduced targeted intervention to swimming.

Swimming has been reintroduced to Y3 and Y4 for the first time since the pandemic. The current Y4 cohort were unable to swim during their Y3 year academic year due to the closure of the leisure centre.

Children who need more practice, are allocated more time to support this to ensure all children are leaving year 6 being able to swim 25m as per the government requirement.

Swimmers that are more able are also been targeted and involved in competitive swimming competitions such as the Tees Valley Finals.