

Swimming at The Heights

2022-2023

As a school, this year, we were unfortunately unable to offer swimming lessons as part of the childrens' curriculum due to the lack of availability, accessibility and capacity of local swimming pools in the Local Authority. Despite our efforts to secure a solution, we remained on a waiting list for both pool use and the hiring of swimming instructors.

Following a consultation with parents of the Year 6s in 2023, we have obtained the following information:

70% of the Year 6 pupils could swim 25m unaided by the end of Year 6
62% of the Year 6 pupils were confident to swim using a range of different strokes
64% of the Year 6 pupils were able to perform safe, self-rescue in different water-based situations.

2023-2024

This year, we are hiring an above ground pool and two qualified swimming instructors for the seven weeks of Summer Term 2. The 10 x 5 metre, heated pool will be situated at the far end of our MUGA.

This will enable us to offer swimming lessons to all of the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. The children will be taught in groups of no more than 9 in line with their confidence and proficiency in the pool.

By the end of Year 6, we aim for all of the children to be able to swim 25 metres unaided and for them to use a range of strokes proficiently. We also aim for them to be able to perform safe, self-rescue in different water-based situations.

At the end of the year, we will report on the progress and swimming attainment of all the pupils in Year 6.