

Learning about water-safety and knowing how to keep yourself safe in and around water is a life-skill and, as such, is recognised and measured in the same ways as other key subjects. We believe it is imperative that all children have the ability to confidently and competently remove themselves from dangerous situations in water. As well as knowing the correct procedure to deal and cope with others in dangerous water situations.

Swimming lessons take place in Year 5 at Queen's Park Sport Centre. If your child has not met the National Curriculum requirements in Year 5 they will be invited for catch-up sessions in Year 6. He / she will be encouraged to participate in bespoke sessions tailored to the individual during the summer term.

All children access open-water-safety workshops and water-safety learning each summer term, prior to the summer break. This is often delivered by swimming coaches and representatives of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

39% of pupils within the current 2019/2020 year 6 cohort are meeting the national curriculum requirement to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres, use a range of strokes effectively and perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations.

National Curriculum requirements for swimming and water safety:

- swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- use a range of strokes effectively
- perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations.

We use school funds for swimming and water safety. We may use sport premium funding to provide additional swimming provision targeted to pupils not able to meet the swimming requirements of the national curriculum.