



## The Russett School

# Additional Funding Report - Swimming

**Category: Primary PE and Sports Premium**

**2018-19 academic year.**

Swimming is a compulsory part of the Primary National Curriculum. The guidance in relation to swimming and water safety is that all schools must provide swimming instruction in either key stage 1 or key stage 2.

In particular, pupils should be taught to:

- swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres.
- use a range of strokes effectively (for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke).
- perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations.

During academic year 2018-19, a total of 35 pupils have taken part in swimming sessions. This number has consisted of 9 pupils from Year 3, 5 from Year 4, 12 from Year 5 and 9 from Year 6. This year 100% of our year 6 pupils took part in swimming sessions. All schools have a statutory duty to report on the percentage of pupils who have achieved the attainment targets outlined above by the end of Year 6. At present, none (0%) of the cohort can confidently swim 25m unaided, use a range of recognised strokes or perform safe self-rescue in the water.

Taking this into account, pupils are also given targets more in line with their social and emotional abilities, and also aligned with their EHCP targets, which include being able to:

- Change clothes independently
- Listen and follow instructions independently
- Show determination to copy an action made in the water.

Teachers assessments show that: 54% of pupils are able to change their clothes independently, 69% are able to listen and follow instructions independently and 80% show determination to copy an action made in the water. Feedback from teachers is that the experience of swimming also supports the development of communication and interpersonal skills. Teaching staff observed an increased confidence of all pupils who attended regular sessions and an increase in interaction between adults and peers whilst swimming. With this in mind, it is our intention to extend our offer of swimming sessions to pupils



across Key stage 1 and 2 for academic year 2019-20. We feel this will not only support personal development, but also give pupils a greater opportunity to work towards targets as outlined by the National Curriculum.