

Report on Swimming for academic year 2017-2018

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A successful year with all Year 4 and Year 5 swimming weekly.

In addition this year have taken 3 beginner swimmers from the Golden Curriculum weekly, along with Mrs Harrison, for small group sessions, two Y6 and one Y5 pupil. One Y6 & one Y5 have completed 25m on their backs and fronts and the other Y6 managing 15m on back & front in the main pool.

Year 4 were brilliant at attending but there were several in Year 5 that were not as regular as they could have been (mainly those in the lower groups)

Swimming Galas

In Term 4 we had the FeSI Gala with Christchurch and St Eanswythes. We took two teams a total of 40 swimmers with mixed swimming ability from Y4,5 & 6 and were very successful coming 1st and 2nd.

In Term 6, we had the Folkestone large school's gala , this time we only took one team of 20 swimmers, of mixed swimming ability from Y5 and Y6. Again we were successful and won the Trophy for the 2nd consecutive year.

Water Safety

The RNLI came in for a day again this year in Term 6, and talked to all of KS2 and Reception classes about the importance of Water Safety, especially as we live by the sea.

Teaching

Tonya B and Darren W both make significant impact on the groups they teach & are very motivated to succeed, with great results. The support staff at the pool also follow the set plans and do a brilliant job.

Year 4

Staff...Darren W, Tonya B, Colette C, Charlie K, Grant C & Gary T + 3 staff from the Sports Centre (Gary until Dec: 2017 and Grant until April 2018 plus Georgina H. from January 2018)

Small Pool

In September we started with **66% (42/63)** of children in the Learning Pool, unable to swim. This is the same percentage as the year before of non-swimmers. We have had some pupils leave and some new pupils join us.

In July's final testing for the year **23% (15/63)** were still in the Learning Pool

Of these 15 pupils

5 pupils (33%) able to swim 5 metres back & front with no aids...

13 pupils (53%) able to swim 5 metres back and front with aids.

2 pupils (13%) able to swim with aid for 1 or 2 strokes...but these have had several absences, due to health etc.

Distances for all of Year 4 in both Small & Main pool

3% have achieved 2 metres
20% have achieved 5 metres with buoyancy aids
8% have achieved 5 metres back and front
60% have achieved 10 metres back and front
33% 25 metres front
22% 50 metres back and front

ASA Levels

Every child has achieved ASA Level 1 with some of the top group achieving Level 4.

Year 5

Staff ...Darren W, Tonya B, Colette C, Grant C + 3 Pool staff + Mrs Marshall parent volunteer (Grant left at end of Term 4)

When in Year 4 66% (42/64) of these pupils started in the Learning Pool
Numbers have now dropped to 57 pupils in Year 5

Distances

74% have achieved the required distance swim for the end of KS2, which is 25M back & 25m front + Treading water & Safety Rules
13% have achieved 10m back and front
7% have achieved 5m back and front
4% are water confident with a buoyancy aids
2% becoming confident

ASA Levels

2 % have achieved ASA Level 1
22 % have achieved ASA Level 2
31 % have achieved ASA Level 3
22 % have achieved ASA Level 4
16 % have achieved ASA Level 5
7% have achieved ASA Level 6

Next Year 2018-2019

- Swimming course ...the old Teacher's Course for Primary Teacher's and TA's does not seem to be available at the moment but a full ASA Level 1 Assistant Teacher course is on during Term, which is part online and a 2 day face- to -face training over a weekend in Ashford. Georgina T is very keen to do this and would be ideal as she has a swimming background.
- It would be good to take 3 of the weaker Y6 swimmers next term but this would be on a Monday from 09:00 to 09:30