

Swimming is an important skill and can encourage a healthy and active lifestyle. The [program of study for PE](#) sets out the expectation that 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.

At Claremont Primary School all children in Year 4 have weekly swimming lessons run by Manchester Swimaphony.

We are working in partnership with Swimphony to support our pupils who are not reaching National Curriculum expectations. Using the PE and School Sport Premium we were going to pilot an initiative to give children not achieving National curriculum expectations for swimming additional intensive holiday courses. Sadly, schools and swimming pools were shut due to Covid 19. We are planning this year for this to happen for the year 5 and 6 children who missed out on swimming in Year 4 or did not reach the National Curriculum expectations.

#### **Results for pupils in Year 6 the end of 2016 - 2017: -**

- 82.5% could swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres

#### **Results for pupils in Year 6 the end of 2017 /2018: -**

- 81% could swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- 81% could swim a range of recognised strokes over 25m
- 81% could perform Safe Self Rescue (clown fish award)

#### **Results for pupils in Year 6 the end of 2019 / 2020-**

- 67% could swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- 58% could swim a range of recognised strokes over 25m