



Schools' Swimming Service

Swimming is a life skill that every child has a right to learn. Schools have a duty to teach high quality swimming and water safety to all pupils, irrespective of their ability, during their primary education. The purpose of this is to ensure all pupils have the opportunity to achieve the national curriculum standard.

Primary education

The Schools' Swimming service is dedicated to providing the opportunity for all children in Nottinghamshire to access swimming. Pupils will start the Learners Journey which equips them to meet the needs of the national curriculum in relation to both swimming and survival. The service endeavours to enrich all pupils' swimming experiences and offers participation in gala events.

Further support is given to pupils with additional needs through bridging clubs. The aim of which is to help develop the specific needs of individuals, creating pathways and opportunities for development of skills within the limitations of their disability. The service provides qualified instructors and lifeguards and arranges pool hire and transport. The service recommends all school teachers undertake the training offered to improve their confidence and impact on the learning outcomes of the children.

What we offer

- The service is available to pre-school, special, primary and secondary school children of all ability levels.
- Access to all schools to provide the national curriculum statutory requirement in swimming.
- High quality swimming in a safe environment.
- Highly qualified instructors and lifeguards who undergo regular training.
- Flexibility to meet the individual needs of schools and pupils.
- Provision of swimming galas for all schools.
- Access to lead professionals in swimming for advice and support.
- Provision of bridging clubs for pupils with additional needs, teaching in small groups. These sessions can't be undertaken instead of the school's mainstream lessons. The sessions are all funded independently.

- The opportunity for all school teachers to access training. This has been specifically designed to equip school staff to enable them to support the school swimming instructors in a teaching capacity, in turn improving learning outcomes for the pupils.
- **New opportunity for schools coming soon** - classroom based swimming teaching delivered by fully qualified instructors, to equip Year 6 children with the knowledge and understanding of how to survive around water.

Benefits to your school

- ▶ National curriculum and Ofsted requirements can be met.
- ▶ Additional support and advice is available for pupils with additional needs.
- ▶ Training is provided for school teachers in the teaching of swimming to improve learning outcomes of pupils.
- ▶ Cross curricular activities including invasive games, movement, literacy, science and links to other subjects.

Our pledge

The Schools' Swimming service is dedicated to providing the opportunity for all schools in Nottinghamshire to access a high quality swimming provision (in accordance with its health and safety guidance document), to ensure that pupils can strive to meet the national curriculum statutory requirement in swimming at Key Stage 2.

- ▶ Evidence of dyspraxia (a motor learning difficulty) can easily be seen in swimming and this is often when it is first picked up.
- ▶ Participation in galas give opportunities to signpost gifted and talented pupils to competitive swimming clubs.
- ▶ Work experience and young leader placements available to pupils which can lead to apprentice opportunities.
- ▶ Significant improvement can be seen in the classroom in the learning outcomes for children with additional needs as they become more confident in swimming.
- ▶ Reinforce the skills learnt and develop knowledge, through engagement with Year 6 pupils prior to leaving primary education, to equip them with the skills they will rely on into adulthood.



Further information

Service Recommendation

The service recommends that schools target Years 3 and 4 and those swimmers in Years 5 and 6 who have not yet reached the national curriculum standard.

Training

Courses for school teachers

The Schools' Swimming Service offers bespoke Courses

1 day course in the teaching of swimming, covering fundamentals of swimming and the service specific requirements. Candidates will be awarded CPD points for attendance.

- Amateur Swimming Association tutors.
- Various venues across the county.
- For school teachers and teaching assistants who assist in the delivery of teaching school swimming.



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Costs

Our prices are bespoke to each school and take into consideration the number of instructors and lifeguards required to meet industry standards.

By purchasing the full package, you'll get the best price.

“ Cameron's swimming has greatly improved, this is due to the swimming lessons he had with school when in year three. I wanted to let you know of my appreciation of those swimming lessons. ”

Catherine Beaumont, Parent

