**William Cassidi C. E. Aided Primary School**

**Swimming 2021 - 2022**

At William Cassidi we provide swimming lessons for our children within Key Stage Two. We consider swimming and water safety to be a vital life skill, as such we purchase a service level agreement annually with Tees Active. They provide tuition and transport, as well as access to an online portal Swimphony which record children’s progress.

Our service level agreement provides Year 3 with three blocks of tuition for ten-day consecutive lessons delivered once per term. In Years 4, 5 and 6 children receive one two-week consecutive block of lessons each academic year. These are timed to allow a swim term and two ‘rest’ terms to enable skills to be consolidated and developed during each child’s time with us.

During the COVID-19 pandemic the swimming programme was halted and all lessons ceased. The school utilised Swim England resources to provide Year 6 pupils with appropriate water and swim safety lessons.

**Swimming Data 2020 - 2021:**

Due to the closure of pools during the COVID-19 pandemic the data available to our school for our pupils in the **Year 6 cohort** is therefore based on their Year 5 attainment during lessons in 2019-2020.

**Confidence Award:** 96%

These pupils demonstrated a number of ways to move around the pool confidently.

**25 Metres Award:** 68%

These pupils demonstrated that they could swim competently using a recognised stroke or strokes over a distance of 25m or more unaided and without making contact with the poolside or floor.

**Use A Range of Strokes Effectively:** 88%

**Water Safety: Get Safe-Stay Safe Award:** 92%

These pupils have a basic understanding of the dangers in and around water. Simulating a number of situations that could be experienced in an emergency. Basic life support skills and recognising a swimmer in difficulty and how to rescue them.

**Perform a Safe Self-Rescue: 40%**

The school recognises the impact of school and pool closures during the COVID-19 pandemic and will wherever possible provide additional support to enable all pupils to attain the National Curriculum requirements by the time they complete Year 6 at William Cassidi.

7th September 2021