Swimming is a strength of the PE curriculum at West Heath Primary School. Effective assessment procedures mean that pupils swimming progress is tracked from their baseline.

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| **Swimming Data 2019/20** |  |
| **Pupils within the year 6 cohort who can perform each of the following:** |  |
| \* swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres | 67% |
| \*use a range of strokes effectively | 70% |
| \*perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations | 65% |

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| **Class A**   * 21/30 pupils swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres. * 21/30  pupils use a range of strokes effectively (recognised stroke in at least two of the following: front crawl, back stroke and/or breaststroke.) * 20/30 pupils perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations (personal survival.) * All pupils have some level of water confidence; all swim without aids and  all pupils are classed as swimmers. * 1/30 pupils achieved a maximum of 5m swimming; this was not in the form of a recognised stroke. * 1/30 pupils completed only 3 swimming lessons out of 13 due to a long-term medical illness. * 4/10 pupils, that were previously non swimmer, can now swim up to 10m, one of whom managed 20m.   **Class B**   * 19/30 pupils swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres. * 21/30 pupils use a range of strokes effectively (recognised stroke in at least two of the following: front crawl, back stroke and/or breaststroke.) * 19/30 pupils perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations (personal survival.) * All pupils have some level of water confidence; all swim without aids and all pupils are classed as swimmers. * 2/30 pupils cannot swim 5m even with a push and a glide * 3/30 pupils achieved maximum of 5m swimming; this was not in the form of a recognised stroke. |
| **Additional Comments**   * Breaststroke is an area for development; however the focus has been on front crawl and back stroke to enable pupils to achieve a minimum of 25m. * The more able swimmers (those that can already achieve 25m+) moved onto breaststroke. * Personal survival is a focus for the most able swimmers in deep water. * They learn to; swim in clothes, enter the water in different ways, float, tread water, retrieve items from deeper water and perform different swimming actions such as sculling. * They also develop swimming for speed to compete in the annual swimming gala. * Middle ability pupils learn to float, tread water, enter the water in different ways and swim to safety. * The focus for this group is to learn to swim proficiently and to learn strokes that enable them to reach 25m+. * Lower ability pupils learn to enter water safely using floatation equipment and  are taught to attempt basic swimming skills. |

**Current Picture**

* Swimming lessons take place on Tuesdays and Fridays at Linden Road swimming baths.
* All children in KS2 have 8 swimming lessons each year.
* Teaching of swimming begins with front crawl and backstroke.
* When children have met the expected standard, breast stroke and personal survival skills are taught.
* When the above skills are mastered, children progress to life saving skills.

Talented swimmers are given the opportunity to take part in year 3/4 and  year 5/6 swimming galas. Pupils have 4 extra swimming sessions in order to prepare for this event; they compete against 4 schools, within the Kings Norton Sports Partnership.

PE and Sport provision, at West Heath Primary School is committed to developing the whole child (physically, mentally, emotionally.) Swimming lessons are free to all pupils and are delivered by a qualified PE teacher, swimming teachers and appropriately trained sports coaches.