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Borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme

Sent via email

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: National Curriculum Swimming for Key Stage 2 School Children**

The Amateur Swimming Association recommends that primary schools allocate at least 25 hours of study time per child for curriculum swimming.

Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council's Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee are looking into the levels of swimming attainment in primary school children, as 45% of children are still set to leave primary school unable to swim the length of an average pool unaided.

Scrutiny are primarily asking what number of 7-11 year olds, within the schools of Newcastle-under-Lyme, are able to swim 25 metres and were having swimming lessons as part of the national curriculum.

Could you please complete the attached form and return to Julia Cleary, Democratic Services Manager via [julia.cleary@newcastle-staffs.gov.uk](mailto:julia.cleary@newcastle-staffs.gov.uk) by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2015**.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

*J Tait*

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