



National Plan for Teaching Swimming Case Studies, 2009

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Sue is happy to discuss Beaufort Community School's experience of implementing the NPTS. Before doing so, you may wish to read her following comments about the process.

Do you have a full time Level 2 Teacher coordinating the swimming programme at your pool?	Yes
Were you implementing the NPTS 1997 edition	Yes
When did you start to implement the NPTS 2007 edition	September 2008
Did you attend any CPD training and if "yes" how did you find out about the courses and were they useful? If you have not attended any of these CPD's could you please explain why?	NPTS Overview NPTS FUNdamentals NPTS mini-polo! NPTS Flip n Fun NPTS Aquafun Comments Unable to find CPD in our area
Have you received sufficient resources to help you implement the new NPTS?	Yes
What other resources would you like the ASA to develop as a priority?	1. Posters 2. Log books / Achievement Log for pupil's
Did you use the NPTS Action Plan to help you implement the NPTS? Did you do anything different?	Yes
What were the main skills gaps areas with the swimmers when you transferred and how did you overcome these?	Still trying to catch up, push and glide is our biggest problem Breaststroke, could achieve high level on old plan without doing breaststroke

<p>Are there any best practice examples within your implementation that you could share with others? Please give summary</p>	<p>Change name of classes, easier for parents to understand it is different</p>
<p>At what stages of the NPTS do you experience the highest dropout rate of swimmers and what (if any) interventions have you got in place to try to keep swimmers and parents involved?</p>	<p>Stage 5/6 Rookie / mini polo sessions / personal survival</p>
<p>Please could you detail if you are currently using or considering using any of the other ASA awards eg- Swim a Song/ Distance Badges?</p>	<p>Yes, distance, water skills, challenge awards</p>
<p>What would be your key recommendations to anyone who is considering implementing the new NPTS?</p>	<p>Don't be influenced by parents, you tell them, not them tell you!</p>
<p>Have you noticed an improvement in your programme since moving to the new NPTS? Please can you explain any changes?</p>	<p>Yes – Basic skills learnt earlier</p>
<p>Are there any other comments you would like to add at this stage?</p>	<p>Please don't forget small swim schools, they have difficulty accessing help or support from ASA.</p>