

Young champion goes the distance

A YOUNG TS15 swimmer has swam her way to success.

Seven-year-old Abigail Holmes from Yarm, pictured sitting, has completed a 1500-metre swim as part of her silver swimming challenge. She will now take part in further events using different strokes to complete the award.

The Year 3 pupil from Teesside High School has weekly swimming lessons at Stokesley pool.

"It was quite tiring at the end but I still enjoyed it," she said of her feat.

Fellow pupil Emily Bullock, aged 10, also pictured, has begun her singing career on a high note. She started singing lessons

just a year ago and recently bypassed elementary exams to gain a Grade 3 award in singing.

This involved singing four classical songs and demonstrating skills in sight reading and pitch recognition. Now Emily, from Wynyard, is working towards her Grade 4 exam and also the School of Rock exam which will allow her to perform pop songs.

Head of the Prep department at Teesside High School, Mike Abraham, added: "These are wonderful achievements for youngsters and have placed them firmly on the ladder to success. We will be following their progress with great interest."

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