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SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2017

Dear Parents,

Our first major sporting event for 2017 will be our School Swimming Carnival for students in Years 3-6. Students in Year 2 who are turning 8 years of age and are registered and train in a Swimming Club are also eligible to attend. Details as follows;

VENUE- Dubbo Aquatic Leisure Centre (opposite Dubbo Railway Station).

DATE & TIME: Thursday February 9, 2017 – All students are to be at the pool by 8.45am and report to their class teacher for the Class Roll then proceed to their House area.

TRANSPORT- Parents are asked to deliver their children to the pool by 8.45am and collect them in the afternoon from 2.30-3.00pm. **Buses DO NOT** drop off or pick up from the pool. The carnival will conclude at approximately 2.30-3.00pm. Please collect your child by this time. Students will be supervised until parents arrive.

CLOTHING- Swimming costumes, towel, sunscreen, hat, drinks .etc. Normal sports uniform but students may wear a T-shirt in House colours: Brophy – red, Aloysius - yellow; Whelan - green; Marina - blue.

Please make sure all clothing is clearly marked with child's name.

Cardboard posters are permitted but **NO** paper decorations, crepe paper, hairspray, coloured paint is allowed.

COST – No cost for students but \$2.00 for spectators (non swimming adults). Adults are asked to pay on the day at the pool entrance. All students in Years 3-6 are expected to attend this carnival as it is part of their PDHPE curriculum and all children will compete at their level of ability. A note from parents must be sent for non-attendance and non-participation.

NOMINATION for EVENTS: We will be using the electronic timing so **students will need to nominate for their events prior to the carnival.** Please discuss and complete the Nomination form attached with your child and return it to school by this Friday February 3. Children will receive a point for their House for each event they participate in but they are reminded to only enter events in which they can complete successfully.

CANTEEN – A canteen operates at the pool for snacks, drinks, and lunches. Students will have supervised visits to the canteen. Students may also bring their own lunch/morning tea.

SEATING/EXPECTATIONS –All students will sit in the stand in their Houses, unless being marshalled. Parents are welcome to join their child in the stands. Every endeavour will be made to keep children out of the sun but sunscreen is recommended to be applied throughout the day.

The “baby pool” is out of bounds all day to our students.

FINALS – There will be no finals. Freestyle, open events and form strokes are all timed finals. The three fastest qualifiers from the Final times will be eligible to compete in the Western Region Carnival to be held in Coonamble on Tuesday February 21. The Junior and Senior relay teams are selected from the fastest 50m times in the appropriate age divisions. Following the Western Region Carnival children may be selected to compete in the Bathurst Diocesan Swimming Carnival to be held in Dubbo on Wednesday March 8. The **ONE START** Rule applies for all Swimming Carnivals. Competitors who break the start will be allowed to continue their race but will be disqualified at the end.

PARTICIPATION: The aim of the day is on participation and enjoyment. Winning is great, but going home feeling you have done your personal best is just as important.

MEDICATION – If a child has any medication it must be labelled and brought to the pool and given to your child's class teacher.

All students **MUST** leave the pool at the completion of the carnival, as no teachers will be on duty. The carnival will take place regardless of the weather. Only lightning will delay us.

We need **lots of parents** to assist on the day to ensure the Carnival runs smoothly. Parents can assist with the Carnival e.g. time keeper, judge, etc or with catering for Morning Tea & Lunch. This will be supplied free of charge to parent helpers. **Please complete the TEAR OFF Slip below and return it to school by this Friday February 3** so jobs can be allocated.


It is also important that all volunteers assisting at the carnival complete a **Working with Children Declaration for Volunteers** form. Parents who have completed a Volunteer Declaration form prior to 15 June 2013 or have gained a Working with Children Check Number will not need to complete this new form. These forms can be collected from the school office or downloaded from the school website and completed prior to the carnival. Time permitting there will be a parents/teachers relay if you are interested.

Attached is a **PARENT CONSENT FORM** so your child can attend the Carnival. Please ensure this is returned to school by **Friday 6th February**. A signed consent form is essential to allow your child to participate in the Carnival. Also an **ORDER OF EVENTS** is also attached for your referral.

As part of new Guidelines for water activities involving free swimming all students must complete a swimming assessment annually known as the **Water Survival Challenge** to assess their swimming ability. This will be conducted by qualified staff at the start of our swimming carnival. Their proficiency level will be documented for the school year. As part of the identification process at the pool proficient swimmers will wear a blue wrist band and non-proficient swimmers a yellow wrist band.

Looking forward to an exciting day.

Yours sincerely


Luke Wilson
Principal.

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ORDER OF EVENTS

9.00am		Water Survival Challenge Years 3-6
	1	200M OPEN MEDLEY GIRLS
	2	200M OPEN MEDLEY BOYS
	3	25M OPEN FREESTYLE BOYS
	4	25M OPEN FREESTYLE GIRLS
	5	OPEN GIRLS 100M FREESTYLE
	6	OPEN BOYS 100M FREESTYLE
	7	8 YRS GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE
	8	8 YRS BOYS 50M FREESTYLE
	9	9 YRS GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE
	10	9 YRS BOYS 50M FREESTYLE
	11	10 YRS GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE
	12	10 YRS BOYS 50M FREESTYLE
	13	11 YRS GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE
	14	11 YRS BOYS 50M FREESTYLE
	15	12 YRS GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE
	16	12 YRS BOYS 50M FREESTYLE
	17	13 YRS GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE
	18	13 YRS BOYS 50M FREESTYLE
	19	JUNIOR GIRLS 50M BACKSTROKE
	20	JUNIOR BOYS 50M BACKSTROKE
	21	11 YRS GIRLS 50M BACKSTROKE
	22	11 YRS BOYS 50M BACKSTROKE
	23	SENIOR GIRLS 50M BACKSTROKE
	24	SENIOR BOYS 50M BACKSTROKE
	25	JUNIOR GIRLS 50M BUTTERFLY
	26	JUNIOR BOYS 50M BUTTERFLY
	27	11 YRS GIRLS 50M BUTTERFLY
	28	11 YRS BOYS 50M BUTTERFLY
	29	SENIOR GIRLS 50M BUTTERFLY
	30	SENIOR BOYS 50M BUTTERFLY
		LUNCH BREAK – NOVELTY EVENTS
	31	JUNIOR GIRLS 50M BREASTSTROKE
	32	JUNIOR BOYS 50M BREASTSTROKE
	33	11 YRS GIRLS 50M BREASTSTROKE
	34	11 YRS BOYS 50M BREASTSTROKE
	35	SENIOR GIRLS 50M BREASTSTROKE
	36	SENIOR BOYS 50M BREASTSTROKE
	37	JUNIOR GIRLS 4 X 50M RELAY
	38	JUNIOR BOYS 4 X 50M RELAY
	39	SENIOR GIRLS 4 X 50M RELAY
	40	SENIOR BOYS 4 X 50M RELAY
	41	PARENT/TEACHER HOUSE RELAY

