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Dear Parents and Carers

## SWIMMING CARNIVAL & WATER FUN ACTIVITIES

As previously advised, the 2019 Swimming Carnival will take place on Monday, 17 December 2018. Please find below further information about the Carnival and Water Fun Activities.

**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018

**Time:** 9:30 am start and approximately 1:30 pm finish

**Venue:** Swansea Pool

**Swimming Events/Races:** Any student turning 8 and above in 2019 and is a competent swimmer can participate in races (i.e. students who can swim 50 metres capably). There will only be 50 metre races in all strokes for confident swimmers.

There will also be open boys and girls 100 metre freestyle. If your child is competing in the 100 metre freestyle events he/she needs to be at the pool by 8:45 am as these 100 metre events will commence at 9:00 am before the buses arrive.

The individual medley events will conclude the carnival if time permits.

**Novelty Events:** Students in Years 2 to 5 in 2018 who are not confident swimmers will be able to participate in the Novelty Events in the shallow pool. Students who are swimming in the 50 metre races will not be eligible to swim in the novelty races as there will not be enough time to fit numerous events into the carnival. Please note; there will be no free swimming time at the carnival.

**Water Fun Activities:** Students from Kindergarten and Year 1 will participate in the Water Fun Activities at Swansea Pool.

**Year 6 Students:** Students in Year 6 will remain at school; however the Year 6 School Captains and Sport Captains will attend the Swimming Carnival as part of their leadership role. A separate permission note will be sent home for these students.

**Transport:** Buses will be leaving the school as close to 9:00 am as possible, and will return around 2:15 pm in time for school buses. If you wish to drive your child or arrange for your child to travel by private car, he/she must travel to and from the pool by car. Please nominate on the form the method of transport by which your child will travel. **Please choose carefully, as children will not be permitted to travel by private car if they have nominated to travel by bus.**

Students are to wear their sports uniform with their swimmers underneath. They may choose to wear a coloured t-shirt which represents their house colour. Please ensure they pack their school hat, a towel, sunscreen to reapply throughout the day and plenty of food and water. Canteen facilities will also be available on the day. Students will be unable to purchase lollies or soft drinks from the canteen.

Please complete the online Google Form by clicking on the link below, no later than Tuesday, 20 November. Please ensure you complete all sections of the form and tick the events that your child will be competing in. **Entries will not be considered after this date.** By submitting the Google Form, you have given permission for your child to attend and a signature is not required. If you have more than one child, you will need to complete a form for each child. Please contact the school office if you have any issues completing the Google Form or require a printed form.

Permission Form Link: <https://goo.gl/forms/dYZpzvg5XKmguDQT2>

We need many parent helpers for the carnival to run smoothly and efficiently. If you are available to help, please ensure you complete the volunteer section of the Google Form. Your help is greatly valued by staff and students.

All family members are welcome to attend the Swimming Carnival. To ensure the safety of all, students are to remain with their supervising teachers. Younger children who are not yet at school are to remain with their parents. Please note; there will be no swimming or water activity opportunities for younger children/siblings who are not yet of school age. Family members accompanying students are able to gain entry for a spectator's fee of around \$3.00.

We are looking forward to a fun day!

Yours sincerely  
*Kellie Prendergast*  
Acting Principal

