



St Bernadette's Primary School, Lalor Park

17th November 2017

Dear Parents,

ANNUAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Annual School Swimming Carnival will be held at Blacktown Pool, Boyd Street on Wednesday 13th December 2017 commencing at 10 am.

The students will be participating in a swimming program during Weeks 8 and 9 where the children have the opportunity to develop their swimming skills leading up to the carnival. Students who turn 8 at any time next year will attend the carnival. Students who will be younger than 8 by the end of next year will not be attending.

As this is the 2018 Carnival,

this carnival determines 2018 representative swimmers, Year 6 students will not be eligible to compete in age groups on the day. This is because Year 6 students will not be able to represent our school at next year's Zone Carnival, however, they will still be able to participate in non-competitive events..

We understand there is some confusion with the children when working out their ages. We have included a table below to help with this. Could you please identify your child's age and ensure they are aware of this.

Year Born	Age for Carnival
01/01/2010 – 31/12/2010	8
01/01/2009 – 31/12/2009	9
01/01/2008 - 31/12/2008	10
01/01/2007 - 31/12/2007	11
01/01/2006 - 31/12/2006	12
01/01/2005 - 31/12/2005	13

The events that will be held and that are available for children to enter into are:

Freestyle	Backstroke	Breaststroke/ Butterfly
100 m	n/a	n/a
50 m	50 m	50 m
25 m	n/a	n/a

It is essential that children who enter into events are not only capable of independently swimming the distance and swimming with the correct stroke, but also are proficient enough to do this competitively.

A Nomination Form is attached. Please ensure this is completed accurately and returned to school on time so that the carnival events can be finalised.

Children who do not turn 8 until 2019 are not eligible to compete in any of the swimming races. This is in line with the Diocesan guidelines in which children under 8 years of age cannot participate at representative carnivals. The children who are under 8 will remain at school and participate in a water fun day.

Please complete the event nomination form below including the attached permission form and return both to school by **Thursday 23rd November 2017**.

The children will travel to and from the pool by bus. The School Activity Fee covers the cost of this Carnival.

In order for the smooth running of such an event, we need the help of parents. If you are free to assist us on the day please fill out the form below. Your offer to help will be appreciated.

Completed Event Nomination forms must be returned to school no later than Thursday 23rd November 2017

Yours sincerely

Mr Simon Stennett
Acting Assistant Principal

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SWIMMING CARNIVAL - PARENT ASSISTANCE

- Yes I am able to help on the day.
- I have completed the Child Protection Training online.

Parent Name Child's class

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SWIMMING CARNIVAL - EVENT NOMINATION FORM - PARENTS TO COMPLETE

Swimmers need to be able to swim the correct stroke.

Child's Name:.....

Age turning in 2018: **Class:**.....

Freestyle 100 m 50 m 25 m

Backstroke 50 m

Breaststroke 50 m

Butterfly 50 m

Please Note: Swimmers nominating in the 50m events are not eligible to nominate for the 25m events of the same stroke.

Signed(parent/guardian) Date