



St Bernadette's Primary School, Lalor Park

27th November 2018

Dear Parents,

ANNUAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Annual School Swimming Carnival will be held at Blacktown Leisure Centre, Stanhope Gardens on Friday 14th December 2018 commencing at 10 am.

The students have recently participated in a swimming program during Weeks 5 and 6 where the children had 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.

Although this carnival is being held this year, this carnival determines **2019 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 may be some confusion with the children when working out their ages in 2019. 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
01/01/2011 - 31/12/2011	8
01/01/2010 – 31/12/2010	9
01/01/2009 – 31/12/2009	10
01/01/2008 - 31/12/2008	11
01/01/2007 - 31/12/2007	12
01/01/2006 - 31/12/2006	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. There will be qualifying times set by the Parramatta Diocese Sports Council which will determine which students may proceed to the next level.

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 2020 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 **Friday 30th November**.

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 this 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 immensely appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Mr Simon Crothers
Assistant Principal

Swimming Carnival Nominations

Please return to school by Friday 30th November 2018



SWIMMING CARNIVAL - EVENT NOMINATION FORM - PARENTS TO COMPLETE

Swimmers need to be able to swim the correct stroke.

Child's Name:..... D.O.B:.....

Age turning in 2019: 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



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