

21 August 2019

Term 4 Water Safety Program

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Students in Years Prep, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be participating in our Primary Campus Water Safety Program in Term 4 this year. Our Water Safety Program is run in conjunction with Kawana Aquatic Centre and structured swimming instruction will be taught by qualified instructors from the Aquatics Centre with further supervision provided by their classroom teachers on the pool deck. This year, I will remain at the College to conduct PE lessons in the weekly timetable. Classroom teachers will accompany their classes walking to the pool, actively supervising the lessons and walking back to our Primary Campus. The lessons are designed to cater for a wide range of swimming abilities and the needs of each individual student. The Water Safety Program is an essential part of our College's Physical Education curriculum. Students in Years Prep, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will have access to swimming instruction as well as an hour Physical Education lesson each week.

The total cost of the water safety program for students is covered in the 2019 Student Resource Scheme (SRS) agreement. **Only those students whose SRS has been paid in full or who have signed an SRS agreement and are meeting their approved payment plan will be eligible to participate in the water safety program.**

Students will change clothes at school and walk to the pool in their swimmers and sunshirt. As we are a Sun Smart College and we are timetabled to swim in the middle of the day, **the following are essential.**

- **College hat** (to wear on the walk to the pool)
- **Wet shirts (rashie) or t-shirt** to wear in the pool (a Queensland Government Sun Safety initiative)
- **Sunscreen** (on face, arms and legs)
- **Drink bottle** (as there is only one bubbler available at the pool).
- **Towel**
- **Goggles**
- **Thongs**
- **Swimming cap** – head lice can swim!

We would appreciate help from any parents who are able to walk with their child's class to and from the pool. You will not be required to get into the pool and will be asked to watch from the covered seating during the lesson. Please check the attached timetable to see what day and time your child's class is swimming and contact your child's teacher if you are able to assist. The program will commence on Tuesday 8 October (Week 1 Term 4). **Please complete the permission and medical form and return them to our Primary Campus office by Friday 6 September 2019.**

Activity Risks & Insurance

Please note that the Department of Education does not have personal accident insurance cover for students. If your child is injured as a result of an accident or incident while participating in the activity, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs are the responsibility of the parent/carer. Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare. If you have private health insurance, some costs may be also be covered by your provider. Any other costs must be covered by parents/carers. It is up to all parents/carers to decide what types and what level of private insurance they wish to arrange to cover their child. Please take this into consideration in deciding whether or not to allow your child to participate in this activity.

Yours Sincerely



Megs Murr
HPE Teacher - Primary



Brendan Smith
Acting Head of Campus - Primary

TERM 4 2019 WATER SAFETY PROGRAM

WEEKS 1 – 9

Tuesday 8 October (Week 1) – Friday 6 December (Week 9)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11:40am to 12:40pm	4A	5A		Prep B	6A
12:40pm to 1:40pm	4B	4/5M	3/4M	Prep C	6B
1:40pm to 2:50pm	Prep A	5B	3A	3B	5/6M

Please Note: These times are when students start the lesson in the water. Most classes will leave for the pool at least 15 minutes prior. Check with your class teacher for individual class departure time.

Privacy Notice

The Department of Education (DOE) is collecting the personal information requested in this form in order to:

- obtain lawful consent for your child to participate in the activity;
- help coordinate the activity;
- respond to any injury or medical condition that may arise during, or as a result of the activity; and
- update College records where necessary.

The information will only be accessed by authorised College staff and will be dealt with in accordance with the confidentiality requirements of s.426 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld) and the Information Privacy Act 2009 (Qld).

The information will not be disclosed to any other person or agency unless it is for a purpose stated above, the disclosure is authorised or required by law, or you have given DOE permission for the information to be disclosed.



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Consent

By signing this form (below) I agree that:

- I have read all of the information contained in this form in relation to the activity and I am aware that the Department of Education does not have personal accident insurance cover for students.
- I understand **SRS fees** cover the cost of my child's involvement, therefore for my child's participation, **SRS** must be **paid in full** or a College authorised **payment plan already in place and payments being met**.
- In the event of an accident or illness, school staff may obtain or administer any medical assistance or treatment my child may reasonably require, including contacting my child's doctor.
- I have provided the school all relevant details of my child's medical or physical needs on enrolment and where relevant have updated this information.

Term 4 2019 Water Safety Program Parental Consent and Additional Medical Information Return by FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2019

Please fill in ALL information

I give consent for my child, _____ in class _____ to participate in the **Term 4 Water Safety Program** conducted from **Tuesday 8 October to Friday 6 December 2019**.

Parent/Carer Name: _____ (Please Print)

Parent/Carer's Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Contact Number _____

Additional medical information

The school collected medical information about your child at enrolment. This information is stored electronically in OneSchool. Please give full details of any new or updated medical information which may affect your child's full participation in the activity described in the form.
