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“Achieving Excellence Together”

2017 Chapman Swimming Carnival Wednesday 8th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

The following details relate to an educational excursion to the Canberra International Sports & Aquatic Centre (CISAC) which will be the venue for this year’s school swimming carnival. The teacher in charge of this event will be Rob Day.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Event: Chapman Primary Swimming Carnival
Venue: CISAC Belconnen
Date: Wednesday 8th March
Time: 9.15am to 2.45pm
Transport: Qcity buses
Cost: \$10.00 **Online Code:** Carn 17 (Includes pool entry, waterslide and bus travel)
Food: Bring lunch, recess and adequate drinks. A canteen will be operating on the day.
Clothing: Warm clothing, swimmers, towel and a change of clothes

Additional Information

This year the students swimming ability will be tested as soon as they arrive at the pool and will then receive their coloured band to be worn all day. Also this year the students will be competing in a 25m pool.

Safety/Emergency procedures

If needed, the school can be contacted at CISAC. In an emergency the school has access to all pool facilities and the appropriate emergency services. It is important that staff are aware of your child’s swimming ability prior to the event. Please ensure you carefully complete the attached permission note indicating your child’s swimming ability and that you have returned the Excursion Medical & Consent form that was sent out earlier this term. This form is available on our school website.

www.chapmanps.act.edu.au

Kind Regards,
Anne Simpson

School Principal

Chapman Primary School Swimming Carnival

Permission for Swimming Carnival Activities

Teachers are required with support of parents to know the swimming ability of every child they take on an excursion where there is water for swimming or aquatic activities. To help us ensure that your child only participates in suitable water activities and to keep them safe please complete the following:

1. **Name of Child:** _____

2. **School Year:** _____

3. **My child can swim:** No Yes

4. **Distance my child can confidently swim:**

10m 25m 50m 100m

5. **I agree to my child participating in swimming races.** No Yes

Questions below will assist in grouping the students for these activities.

Please note

A proficient swimmer can:

- Perform a slide-in-entry and walk through 5 metres of water with acceptable stability and coordination.
- Swim continuously for 25 metres using an action that resembles a stroke.
- Perform survival scull, float or tread water for 1 minute in deep water. Call for help once within the minute
- Exit water unassisted.
- Perform a voice rescue to a buddy who is pretending to be in trouble. Reassure the victim and encourage them to a point of safety. Call for assistance.

Students who cannot complete all those steps may only participate in structured activities in water below waist height or structured activities.

6. **My child is a proficient swimmer, I wish for him/her to participate in structured aquatic activities in the deep pool.**

7. **My child is not a proficient swimmer. I wish for him/her to participate in the structured activities only in a shallow pool.**

8. **For the carnival to be successful we require a number of volunteers. If you are able to assist on the day please indicate.**

No

Yes

Please note during the day all students will participate in structured aquatic activities. Free swimming will not take place during the day. Students will be able to enter as many events as they like on the day of the carnival.

Name of Parent / Carer: *(please print)* _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Permission Note

I give permission for my child _____ in class _____ to attend the Chapman Primary School Swimming Carnival at CISAC on Wednesday 8th March travelling by bus.

I enclose **\$10.00** (Please pay by Friday 3rd March)

Online Payment: **Carn 17**

Arrangements for Non-Proficient Swimmers, Code of Conduct and Parental Agreements:

An area for supervision and conduct of activities for non-proficient swimmers will be identified and designated at the pool venue. When non- proficient students enter the water for activities they will be supervised by school staff within the pool in small groups with a maximum ratio of 1:10.

Staff accompanying students on excursions will take all reasonable care while the students are in their charge to protect them from injury and to control and supervise their behaviour and activities. Unacceptable behaviour will be treated as it is normally treated at school, (reminders, time out in a designated spot, and exclusion from an activity) but with the additional factor that the student may be returned to school should the behaviour be extreme or overly persistent.

Parents should be aware that staff members are not responsible for injuries or damage to property which may occur on an excursion where, in all circumstances, staff have not been negligent. Parents should warn children of the risk to themselves, to others and to property, of impulsive, wilful or disobedient behaviour.

I agree to my child participating in the swimming/aquatic activities mentioned previously. I have discussed with my child the need for sensible behaviour on this excursion. I authorise the school to make arrangements for the welfare of my child (including medical or surgical treatment) in an emergency and I agree to meet the associated costs. I have provided to the school all medical information relevant to my child's attending this event.

I agree that my child will be under the authority of the school for the duration of the excursion and that the school is authorised to return my child to school or home at my expense if the school considers that circumstances warrant such action. I give permission for my child to travel by private car, driven by a staff member or parent, in an emergency. I agree to provide any relevant medical information to the school to the excursion.

Name of Parent / Carer: (please print) _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

This form requests information about students which will be held by the school. This information may be disclosed to government or private medical or para-medical staff and other relevant officers in the event of an accident or emergency. The information is collected as a lawful administrative function of the ACT Education and Training Directorate.