



MACQUARIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Thursday 04 February 2021

Year 2 – 6 Swimming Carnival

Dear Families,

Our 2021 sports program will commence with Macquarie's annual swimming carnival. A risk assessment has been completed and is available to view at the front office.

Where: Big Splash Pool, Catchpole Street Macquarie

When: Thursday 4 March 2021

Transport: Students in years 2 – 6 to be dropped off by families at the pool at 8.45am and will walk back to school at the conclusion of the carnival

Time: 8.45am, depart Big Splash 2.20pm to arrive at school 2.50pm

Emergency Contact number on excursion: 0434 751 607

Cost: \$13.00 This covers the cost of the program.

Due to COVID-19 there will be no spectators this year.

Staff accompanying students on excursions will take all reasonable care while the students are in their care to protect them from injury. Parents should be aware that staff members are not responsible for injuries or damage to property that 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. (Education Directorate Policy)

It is customary for the school to request a financial contribution towards meeting the cost of your child's participation in this excursion. These contributions are voluntary. The school has made every effort to keep costs for this activity at a reasonable level. Should you require financial assistance please contact a member of our staff.

Students will need to bring/wear:

- Sunsmart hat
- Sunscreen
- T-shirt or rash-shirt to wear in the water (no shirt – no swimming)
- Morning tea/lunch (no canteen services will be available)
- Water bottle

If you are able to volunteer on the day, please contact the office on 6142 1550.

Please return permission note and payments by Friday 19 February.

Participation Information

Students wishing to participate in the competitive events must be able to swim at least 50 metres using the nominated stroke and complete the attached nomination form.

Non-swimmers will have the opportunity to support their peers and win points for their house by demonstrating positive sportspersonship through cheering, chanting and congratulating others. After the competitive races, non-swimming students will have access to 2 smaller pools.

Students not competing in races, and who would like to use the 50m pool and slides during recess and lunch, will need to complete the water safety testing process. Families can begin this process by identifying their children's skills on the reverse side of this page.

The swimming carnival is a great opportunity for swimmers to display their skills and team spirit through representing their sports house. It is however not the appropriate event for children to swim a distance or stroke they have not tried before. Please circle the events that your child will be competing in and return this information to the front office by **Friday 19 February**.

Please note, the competitive events are for students who are turning 8 years or older this year born in 2013.

Regards,
Meg Signor
Swimming Carnival Coordinator

The Directorate collects the information contained in this form to obtain parental consent for students' participation and to provide or arrange first aid and other medical treatments for students. The information collected will be held at the student's school and will be made available to relevant school staff, including first aid officers, and to medical or paramedical staff in the case of an accident or emergency. The information contained in the form is personal information and it will be stored, used and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of the *Information Privacy Act 2014* and the *Health Records (Privacy and Access) Act 1997*.



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Permission Note for Year 2 – 6 Swimming Carnival

I give permission for my child _____ from

class _____ to attend this excursion on **Thursday 4 March 2021**.

- I understand the transport arrangements involved.
- I have attached my child's medical information and I understand it is my responsibility to inform the school if changes occur.

Parent Contact Information - If needed during the excursion

Parent/Carer Name:	Contact Number:
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Parent Signature:	Date:

Payment Slip for Year 2 – 6 Swimming Carnival

Payment due date : **Friday 19 February**

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

- I enclose \$13.00 cash/cheque or
- I have paid \$13.00 via electronic funds transfer

EFT Details

Account Name: Macquarie Primary School Management Account
 BSB Number: 032 777
 Account Number: 001586
 Use reference: *Child's Name* SWIM

- I have paid \$13.00 via Quickweb - found under the payment tab on our school website

Quickweb Details:

Go to our school website and follow the prompts on the payment page
 Use reference: *Child's Name* SWIM

2021 Swimming Carnival Event Entry Response Sheet

The information below will assist us in providing a safe environment for your child's participation in water activities. Please return this form to the front office by **Friday 19 February**.

Please complete below for all children

Child's Name _____ **Male / Female** – Please circle

Year of Birth (not age) _____

Parent / Carer Name _____

Parent / Carer Signature _____

WATER SAFETY TEST

1. My child can perform a slide entry, walk through 5m of water unassisted and exit unassisted.

Yes No (Please circle)

2. My child can swim continuously for 25m using an action that resembles a stroke.

Yes No (Please circle)

3. My child can tread water or float for 1 min in deep water.

Yes No (Please circle)

4. My child will be competing in swimming events.

Yes No (Please circle)

Please circle the events your child will be competing in.

Freestyle	50M	100M
Backstroke	50M	100M
Breaststroke	50M	100M
Butterfly	50M	100M
Individual Medley	200M	

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