Swimming Carnival: Friday 10th March, 2017

Dear Parents,

On Friday the **10th of March**, we will be holding our annual school Swimming Carnival at the Canberra International Sports & Aquatic Centre, Belconnen (CISAC) for students in Years 3 – 6. The carnival will begin at 9:30am and conclude at 2:00pm. Buses will pick the students up from school at 9am and we will arrive back at school by 2.45pm in time for normal dismissal at 3:00pm.

The carnival will consist of 25m and 50m races. Students will be required to select *either* the 25m or 50m race in a particular stroke for their age group. Students can only participate in one race distance for each stroke, **not both**. For **Students wishing to represent the school at the North Gungahlin PSSA**, students must be 8 years and over and have competed in 50 metre events.

Please take some time to discuss with, and ensure your child has the ability to swim 25m or 50m races. It is quite distressing to see students entering races in which they do not have the ability to complete. A full program of events will be sent home in the week leading up to the carnival.

**What to Bring:**
The children will need to wear their sports uniform to school. They may wear a t-shirt in their house colour if they wish. Swimmers may be worn underneath uniforms, but please ensure that your child has dry underwear to change into after swimming. They will also need:
- A bag
- A towel
- Dry underwear
- Packed recess and lunch – **Students will not be permitted to access the canteen.**
- 1 or 2 bottles of water
- Joggers to wear to and from the pool (no thongs or sandals)

**Parent Participation:**
Parents are most welcome to join us for the day. Spectators will be charged for entry ($2.50). For parent helpers and children under the age of 2, entry will be free. Please be aware that CISAC has paid parking. Parents may take their children home from the pool after the carnival. Please ensure you advise your child’s teacher prior to leaving the pool so that your child can be marked off the roll.

**Assistance:** We require parental assistance in order for the day to run smoothly. If you are able to assist us, please complete the relevant section on the permission note. *Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!*

**Cost:** Pool entry and bus travel for students will be covered by the Curriculum Levy.

Yours sincerely,

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Julie Wiley               Helen Bramanathan, Samantha Mance and Donna Victory
Principal                Swimming Carnival Coordinators
STM Swimming Carnival Permission Form

Please return to your child’s class teacher by Friday the 24th of February, 2016.

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE PERMISSION NOTE PER CHILD

I give my permission for _______________________________ to attend the St Thomas More’s Swimming Carnival on Friday 10th March, 2017 at the Canberra International Sports & Aquatic Centre (CISAC), Belconnen, and to be transported by bus.

I also give permission for the teacher in charge to seek medical assistance if required and I agree to pay all medical and ambulance fees.

Emergency Contact: ____________________________ Phone: ____________________________

Any medical issues: ________________________________________________________________

My child is entering into: **Freestyle** 25metres OR 50metres (please circle)

**Backstroke** 25metres OR 50metres (please circle)

**Breaststroke** 25metres OR 50metres (please circle)

**Butterfly** 50metres (please circle)

My child attends Squad training and would like to compete in 100m events at the North Gungahlin Carnival.

Stroke: _____________________ Time: _____________________

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☐ Yes, I will be transporting my child directly to the pool.

☐ Yes, I will be transporting my child directly from the pool.

Parent/Guardian Signature: __________________________ Date: ______________

OFFER TO ASSIST

Helpers require a current Working With Vulnerable People (WWVP) Card to assist at the Carnival.

Name (Please print): ____________________________ WWVP Card No.: ____________________________

Phone number(s): ____________________________

Preferred Task
☐ Marshall  ☐ Recorder  ☐ Chief Timekeeper  ☐ Timekeeper  ☐ Place Judge