



MERCEDES COLLEGE

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02 March 2016

Dear Parents

The **R-5 Swimming Carnival** will be held on **Friday 1 April** at the **Unley Swimming Centre**. Students will be transported by bus, leaving school at 9:15am. Reception and Year 1 classes will return to school by bus at 1:00pm and the Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 classes will return to school at 2:30pm. All Students are required to be at school as normal and travel with their class to the pool.

Students should wear their PE uniform and or a house coloured t-shirt to school with their bathers underneath. Bathers and a rash top must be worn to ensure protection from the sun during the carnival. Please pack a towel, thongs, hat, windcheater, underwear and sun block (all named) into their school bag to take to the pool. A plastic bag to put wet clothes in after they swim is also a good idea.

Each student will need to bring their own recess, lunch and a drink bottle as they will not be permitted to buy from the canteen on the day. The canteen will be an out of bounds area for students.

Students will sit with their Class Teacher throughout the day. We would greatly appreciate help with dressing the children especially at the end of the carnival.

The first event will consist of the stronger swimmers competing in the 25 metre events in the main pool, swimming across the pool. Students who participate in the 25 metre events will be awarded with a ribbon. Students who are capable of **CONFIDENTLY** swimming 25 metres in the shallow end of an Olympic size pool are invited to fill in and return the attached form as soon as possible so the programme can be finalised. This will enable students to experience the thrill of taking part or seeing their classmates swim. The 25 metre events will commence at approximately 10:00am. There will also be an opportunity for Year 3, 4 and 5 students to swim in 50m events. They will need to make a choice of distance as they have to choose either 25m or 50m for each event.

Throughout the day all students will be given an opportunity to swim in the middle pool for their novelty events.

Please note that the Reception and Year 1 Students will return to the College at 1:00pm. Students will have time to eat their lunch when they return to the College

We look forward to an enjoyable day together and encourage you to attend. **We do however, ask that students stay with their class groups and do not wander away to sit with parents. We know that this can be difficult at times to enforce and would appreciate your help in returning any Students immediately back to their class area.**

Kind Regards

Tracey Cramond
R-7 Carnivals Coordinator
R-5 PE Teacher



R-5 SWIMMING CARNIVAL PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN SWIMMING EVENTS

Student Name: _____

Student Class: _____

I **give/do not give** permission for my son/daughter to swim in the following races in the shallow end of an Olympic sized pool on 1 April 2016, as he/she is a confident swimmer. **Please return this form either way to the Class Teacher.**

Please tick one box only for each stroke.

Reception-Year5

Year 3, 4 and 5 only

25 metre Freestyle	<input type="checkbox"/>	50 metre Freestyle	<input type="checkbox"/>
25 metre Backstroke	<input type="checkbox"/>	50 metre Backstroke	<input type="checkbox"/>
25 metre Breaststroke	<input type="checkbox"/>	50 metre Breaststroke	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will not participate in a 25/50m event	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Signed _____
(Parent /Guardian)

Date _____

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Parent Assistance with transport to Unley Swimming Pool, Friday 1 April, 2016

I am available to assist with transport for the R-5 Swimming Carnival at Unley Swimming Pool on Friday 1 April 2016:

Name:

Parent of : Home Group:

Contact number:

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASS TEACHER NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, 11 MARCH 2016.

