



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Re: Swimming Program Years 5 and 6 Term 3

From weeks 2-9 in Term 3, all Senior School students will have the opportunity to take part in a Swimming Program 'Swim and survive' which will be conducted at the Elders Swim Centre, Hervey Bay. The lessons will occur every Thursday starting week 2 and finishing in week 9 on the following days; 26th Jul, 2nd Aug, 9th Aug, 16th Aug, 23th Aug, 30th Aug, 6th Sep, 13th Sep. They will run for 45 mins a session and the students will need to board the bus 25 minutes prior to starting their lesson.

Swim and Survive is a comprehensive swimming and water safety initiative of Royal Life Saving that seeks to increase the swimming and water safety skills of all Australian children in order to prevent drowning and increase participation in safe aquatic activity. Learn to swim and swimming lessons are all terms commonly used across the aquatic industry for programs that seek to build swimming skills. Swim and Survive is all of these, but most importantly it ensures that the essential components of personal survival and water safety are provided, in addition to a process of developing strong and effective swimming technique.

Swim and Survive is delivered at the Elders Swim Centre by qualified swimming and water safety instructors. Skills and knowledge learnt in the Swim and Survive program provides a level of protection and aims to provide children with solid foundation skills in swimming, survival and basic rescue skills. Each program is structured into skill strands that ensure a balanced, comprehensive instructional approach to a child's aquatic education.

Activities that our students will be learning at the pool during the upcoming block will include:

- Demonstrating entry methods
- Float positions and recovering to standing position from floating
- Horizontal arm sculling
- Survival Sculling
- Stroke development including freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and survival sculling
- Using swimming aids such as kickboards.
- Diving
- Treading water
- Recovering objects from underwater
- Using pool aids to assist a person in trouble

Swimming Timetable

9.00-9.45	S5MR	S5NG
9.45-10.30	S6EG	S6SS
10.30-11.15	S5KR	S5WJ
11.15-12.00	S6SW	S6TT
12.00-12.45	SCBP	

Swimming is a component of the Health and Physical Education Program and it is expected that all students participate unless there are circumstances preventing this. The swimming component also forms part of the HPE assessment for all students. Students will be placed in a group according to their swimming ability and students will develop their stroke proficiency.

All students should have a one-piece swimming costume, sun shirt, towel and swimming bag all clearly labelled. If students are sensitive to chlorine Elders recommends swimming goggles to be worn. Students will change into their swimming gear before they depart from school. They will remove their shoes at school and leave them under their desk. Students will need thongs or slip on footwear when travelling on the bus (this is a requirement of the bus company). Students who are not swimming will remain at school and take part in theory lessons for the swimming program.

Cost is \$52 which includes a swimming cap (compulsory), travel by bus and the lesson cost.

Payment must be made in **FULL by Wednesday 27th June.**

Please return this permission form and money to the blue mailbox in the office. Eftpos facilities are available.

Please note that no refunds will be given unless a medical certificate is provided.

Whilst at Elders Swim Centre and whilst travelling on the bus, the Yarrilee State School code of conduct applies to all students. If any student displays negative behaviours during this time, normal school behaviour management policy responses will be enacted.



Sharon McMorrow
Principal

Privacy Notice

The Department of Education and Training (DET) 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 school records where necessary.

The information will only be accessed by authorised school 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 DET permission for the information to be disclosed.

Activity Risks & Insurance

Please note that the Department of Education and Training 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.

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 (including any attached material) and I am aware that the Department of Education and Training does not have personal accident insurance cover for students.
- I give consent for my child, _____ in class _____, to participate in the Swimming Program from 26th July to 13th September, 2018.
- I will pay to the school the costs detailed above for my child’s participation in the activity.
- 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 accept liability for all reasonable costs incurred by the Department of Education and Training in obtaining such medical assistance or treatment (including any transportation costs) and undertake to reimburse the Department of Education and Training the full amount of those costs.
- 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.

Parent/Carer Name: _____ (Please Print)

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

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.

You may also wish to provide the following information*:

Name of child’s medical practitioner: _____ Telephone No.: _____

Medicare No.: _____

Private Health Insurance Company (if applicable): _____ Membership No.: _____

*If an enrolment form for your child has been completed or updated since October 2012 this information will already be recorded in OneSchool.

I would like this additional information about my child’s medical information to be recorded in OneSchool records.