Dear Parents/Caregivers

Re: Term 1, 2016 Swimming Program

Swimming will begin in Week 2 of Term 1 (Week starting Monday 1st February). The swimming program will involve all students from Year 1 through to Year 6. Swimming will run for 8 weeks in Term 1.

For our swimming program we rely on parent assistance to maintain our ratios of coaches to students. Without parent help we cannot run the swimming program. Please see your child’s teacher if you are available to help. We require 3 parents in the water for Year 1, 2 parents in the water for Year 2 and 3 and one parent observer for Year 4 to 6.

Swimming is a compulsory part of the Physical Education program. Therefore, it is expected that all students will come to school with their equipment and be ready to participate fully in every lesson.

If your child is unable to participate in the program for any reason, then they must be accompanied with a note excusing them from that lesson. Your child’s Physical Education marks may be affected if they do not bring a note.

Items for your child to bring (all items to be named):

- Bathing suit (must be a one piece for girls)
- Cap
- Sunscreen (applied)
- Sun shirt
- Goggles (optional)
- Towel
- Swim bag to keep the wet swim gear in

Please note the inclusion of the statement re personal accident insurance for students. We have been instructed to include this by the Department on all parental permission forms. Education Queensland has public liability cover for all approved school activities and provides compensation for students injured at school only when the Department is negligent. If this is not the case, then all costs associated with the injury are the responsibility of the parent or caregiver. It is a personal decision for parents as to the type and level of private insurance they arrange to cover students for any accidental injury that may occur.

Thank you

Anita Bond
Principal

Ian Bird
P.E. Teacher

PERMISSION NOTE – Swimming Program (to be returned to your child’s teacher)

I give permission for my child _____________________________ in Class ______ to attend swimming lessons in Term 1, 2016.

I can assist in my child’s lesson  Yes / No
Parent Name ____________________  Child’s Class ____________

I acknowledge that the Department of Education, Training and the Arts does not have Personal Accident Insurance cover for students.