28th February 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our annual swimming carnival will be held at the Peninsular Leisure Centre, Woy Woy on Wednesday 8th March. The swimming carnival is a compulsory college event and students are expected to attend for the entire day. We ask that you do not make appointments for this day or ask to collect your daughter early. If there are any difficulties please speak to your daughter’s Year Leader prior to the event.

We extend a warm invitation to all parents to attend our swimming carnival. However, to help our day run as smoothly as possible, we ask that you bring a chair as the limited number poolside will be in use and we have limited space.

**Parents please note the following information:**

**Time**
The carnival will run from **8.30am – 2.10pm**.

*Please Note: Students wishing to compete in the Open 200m freestyle will be marshalled at the pool at 8.15am. This event will start at approx. 8.30am.*

**Transport**
- Students catch normal buses to school then will be transported to and from the pool by bus, unless they are swimming in the early event (*200 Open freestyle which will be marshalled at 8.15am*).
- Students who live in the area (in Woy Woy, Umina area) can make their own way to the pool with parent/carer permission. Please complete and return the attached note by Thursday this week if your daughter is finding her own way to the pool. Students must arrive at the pool no later than 9.00am. There will be supervision at the pool from 8.15am.
- Year 12 students may drive to and from the carnival provided written permission from parents is returned to pastoral teachers by Thursday this week.
- If students are being collected from the carnival by parents they must be collected from outside the pool.

**Cost**
- Students: $2.00 donation for the Fred Hollows Foundation – this will be **collected as rolls are marked in Carroll Court before boarding busses**. All students are expected to have a gold coin please.
- Parents: standard pool entry fee will be charged
Uniform

All Students Years 7-12: regulation sports shoes must be worn to and from the pool. Thongs may be worn only in the pool area.

Years 7 – 10: college sport shorts and coloured house shirt – can change into house attire at the venue. Full piece costume/club racing costume; t-shirt must be worn over a bikini costume if that is the only option.

Years 11 and 12: wear appropriate House coloured mufti. Full piece costume/club racing costume; t-shirt must be worn over a bikini costume if that is the only option.

Lunch

The canteen will be operating but there is a limit to the number of students lining up in the canteen area at any time. Students are advised to bring their own lunch and plenty of water to drink.

Non Swimmers

If you are unable to participate in the carnival you must bring a note of explanation to your Pastoral Teacher prior to the carnival. Non-participants will remain in the house area and may be asked to assist with duties throughout the day.

Rules

- All students must enter via the side doors. No students will be allowed to enter via the main pool gates. This is a directive from pool staff.
- The official attendance roll will be marked at the pool in the student's pastoral class.
- Local students may leave the pool after final roll call provided pastoral teachers have been notified in writing (see the attached) in advance.
- Students are required to attend for the entire day.
- Students are not permitted to leave the venue for any reason during the carnival.
- A student will not be permitted to leave the pool with a person other than her parent unless the parent provides permission in writing to the Principal or Assistant Principal.
- No crepe paper, body paint, chewing gum, water pistols, horns or glass are allowed in pool area – clear sunscreen is permitted.

Please complete and return the note advising that you daughter is making her own way to the pool if that is relevant and your written permission that your daughter may leave the venue at the end of the day and walk home. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your daughter's Year Leader at the college.

Yours faithfully,

Helen M Love
Assistant Principal
Please complete and return to Pastoral Teachers by Friday 3rd March

Permission for my daughter to make her own way to and from the carnival

Student name: ........................................................................ Pastoral class: ....................
will be making her own way to and from the pool.

Parent/Carer signature: .................................................. Date: ......................
Parent name: ........................................................................

Permission for my daughter in Year 12 to drive to and from the carnival

Student name: ........................................................................ Pastoral class: ....................
will be driving to and from the pool in a car with Rego number ...........................................

Parent/Carer signature: .................................................. Date: ......................
Parent name: ........................................................................