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SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A learn-to-swim program has been included in our school curriculum. The Department of Education School Swimming Scheme is an intensive learn-to-swim program which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The program will be conducted over 5 days with two 45-minute lessons, from Monday, 15th September 2025 – Friday, 19th September, 2025 (Term 3 Week 9).

Students who have not reached a satisfactory level of water safety and survival skills, and are unable to swim 25 metres confidently unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate in the School Swimming Scheme. The scheme focuses on less capable swimmers in Years 2, 3 and 4.

The instruction will take place at Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre (Bradbury Pools) for 5 consecutive school days. The bus will leave at 8:30am. Students should return to school at approximately 11:30am.

The total cost for the 5 day program is \$60 (including pool entry and bus fare). Payment must be made in full by Monday 25th of August (Term 3, Week 6).

Each child should be wearing their school uniform with a towel in their school bag. Students should wear their swimmers to school under their uniform **but they must bring underwear** to change into after the lesson. All items brought to the pool should be labelled clearly with the student's name and placed into a bag also labelled with the student's name. **Students with long hair must wear their hair tied back.** Students will be regularly assessed during the program for swimming technique and water safety skills without needing to wear swimming goggles. However, students may bring goggles to lessons if they wish.

If you want your child to participate in Swimming Scheme, please sign and complete the permission note attached and return it by Monday 25th of August 2025 (Term 3, Week 6). **Spots are limited with only a total of 60 places available for Year 2, 3 and 4. Preference will be given to the first 60 students returning their notes and money.**

Kind Regards,

Miss Bligh (Swimming School Co-ordinator)



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Dear Parent/Carers,

EXCURSION/EVENT	Swimming Scheme		YEAR/STAGE	Year 2, 3 and 4
DATE	Monday, 15th September 2025 – Friday, 19th September, 2025 (5 days in total)		COST	\$60
VENUE DETAILS	Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre (Bradbury)			
TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS	METHOD	Bus		
	DEPART FROM	Thomas Acres Public School	DEPART TIME	8:30am
	RETURN TO	Thomas Acres Public School	RETURN TIME	Approx. 11:30am
MEAL ARRANGEMENTS	Required - please provide lunch, recess and a bottle of water			
UNIFORM DETAILS	Sports uniform with appropriate swimmers underneath Towel Clean Underwear Plastic Bag for wet clothes Goggles (optional)			
ORGANISER/TELEPHONE	Miss Bligh – phone 4626 4577			
PAYMENT DUE DATE	Must be paid by no later than Monday 25th of August 2025 (Term 3, Week 6)			
EDUCATIONAL OUTCOME	The Department of Education School Swimming Scheme is an intensive learn-to-swim program which develops water confidence and provides students with skills in swimming technique and water safety. The scheme will be conducted over 5 days, with two 45-minute lessons per day.			

If you wish for your child to attend, please complete the Permission Note and return it to the Office, along with your payment method by the due date. If you are unable to pay by this date, please contact the Office to see if an extension is possible. **Late payments cannot be accepted without prior arrangement.**

Thank You – Miss Bligh

PERMISSION FOR SWIMMING SCHEME

I hereby give permission for my child _____ of class _____ to attend **School Swimming Scheme** on **Monday 15th September 2025 - Friday 19th September 2025** at a cost of **\$60**. I understand that travel will be by **Bus**. I also understand this payment is **\$60**. My child has:

☐ Anaphylaxis ☐ Asthma (severe or mild) ☐ Allergies _____ ☐ Other _____

Parent/Carers Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

PLEASE ENSURE THIS NOTE IS SIGNED & RETURNED AS PROOF OF PERMISSION TO ATTEND

Please select one (1) payment method below

- ☐ **ONLINE PAYMENT (\$10 minimum)** – My receipt number is _____ paid on ____/____/____
Please enter **"Swimming Scheme"** in the payment description under "Excursion". **If using this method, please pay 2 days earlier than due date to allow time for the school to be credited with your payment.**
- ☐ **EFTPOS (\$10 minimum)** - Accepted only by tapping/swiping card directly into EFTPOS terminal located in the Office. *Phone payments not accepted.*
- ☐ **CASH** - enclosed is \$_____. Receipt to be made out to (please print name) _____
- ☐ **FIA (FEES IN ADVANCE)** – please use all/some of my credit for this payment

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