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Swimming Lessons 2021

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Your child is receiving this note as he/she has been identified as being eligible for our swimming program.

During Weeks 8 and 9 of Term 4, commencing Monday 22 November, **selected** Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 students will be involved with Swimming Classes. These classes run for **ten school days**. We will be walking to the Tamworth City pool each day and catching a bus back.

It is preferred that the students arrive at school wearing sunscreen AS WELL as having some for use at the pool. PLEASE ALLOW STUDENTS TO WEAR SWIMMERS TO SCHOOL.

The children need to have a **strong, labelled** bag containing a towel (**labelled**), T-shirt or rash vest and school hat. Please make sure **every item is labelled clearly (including socks and undies!)**.

If children are to wear a T-shirt in the water, please make sure it is close fitting.

Girls with long hair must have it tied back and preferably plaited.

For the duration of swimming lessons, sports uniform may be worn daily. Children may need to bring their school jumper to put on after swimming.

Sandals (**labelled**) are the easiest to manage for swimming lessons and they may be worn to the pool—**no thongs**.

It is important that **EVERYTHING is well labelled**. Children will change into dry, clean underwear after each lesson so please make sure this is provided.

The cost of the Learn to Swim classes is **\$65.00** for 10 days. This pays for pool entry and bus travel. The Government pays the lesson fee. **Students who have a Season Ticket will only pay \$30 for the bus.**

Each lesson will consist of 30 minutes pool time and 20 minutes on the land. Students will be placed in groups of approximately 6 and accompanied in the water by an instructor/teacher. The pool is also patrolled by trained lifeguards. More teachers will run the land activities. Supervision will be diligent.

Year 2 Students will be broken into 2 groups, with 30 minutes pool time and 20 minutes land time, from 10.00am-11.00am daily.

Year 3,4 and Special Ed classes will be broken into 2 groups, with 30 minutes pool time and 20 minutes land time, from 11.00am -12.00 noon daily.

Swimming lessons are very carefully planned and cater for those who have a chronic fear of water through to those developing their strokes.

Students in Years 3 and 4 have been graded already from last year's classes. Year 2 and new students have been graded on parent recommendation. Observation on day one will confirm correct groups.

Online payment is preferred. Please go to the Tamworth Public School website and follow the link to online payment. Alternatively, please send money in a labelled envelope to your child's classroom.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn to swim across a period of ten days straight. If payment is a concern, please contact our Principal, Chris Connor (67662016).

Hopefully we will have lovely warm weather from the 22nd November!

Please note that participation in these intensive swimming lessons is subject to excellent behaviour.

While we would like all students to participate, the school reserves the right to deny permission to attend to any student whose behaviour, attitude or application warrants concern. Staff have the right not to accept responsibility for such students on excursions or activities outside the school grounds.

Please return the attached permission note and payment **by Friday 12 November 2021** so that groups can be created and adequate instructors can be finalised.

Regards

Robyn Savage—School Swimming Scheme Coordinator 2021

TAMWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS 2021

I give permission for my child in class.....
to walk to the pool and return to school by bus to from 22 November to 3 December inclusive.

I understand the children will leave school at about 9.30am (Year 2) or 10.30am (Year 3,4, Special Ed) on swimming lesson days, returning after their hour session. Students will be supervised at all times.

I have paid online

Online receipt number:..... OR

I enclose **\$65.00** or
 \$30.00 (season ticket number _____)

In the event of injury or illness, I also authorise (on my behalf) the seeking of such medical assistance that my child may require. Special needs of my child of which you should be aware (eg. Medical condition, allergies, sensory impairment, etc):

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PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE Date