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SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2022

Tamworth Public School's Swimming Carnival will be held on **Wednesday 9 February 2022**. This will take place at Tamworth Olympic Pool, starting at 9:15am.

Due to COVID restrictions placed by the Department of Education and in accordance with the COVID-19 Safety Plan of the venue it has been decided that there will be limit of 1 spectator per family allowed at the carnival. This is very unfortunate but hopefully we have your understanding as we try to limit numbers for a safe carnival. Spectators and students will be in separate areas so on arrival spectators will need to sit on the oval side of the pool. Students will be seated on the Bridge Street side in stage groups.

As we will not have parent volunteers to help with the carnival and more supervision restrictions placed on staff it has been decided that only those students who are competitive and very confident swimmers will be participating at this year's carnival. This also restricts overcrowding and there is less risk of stages mixing. Only 50m events will take place, no 25 metre events. Students who are non or poor swimmers, or who cannot swim 50m (full length of the pool) without stopping will not be attending the carnival. Students who do not attend the carnival will remain at school.

Tamworth Public School is aiming to hold an additional swimming carnival for all students in Years 3-6 with novelties and 25m races in Term 4.

Students come to school as normal and they will walk to the pool at 9:00am. Students will catch buses back to school at around 1:00pm. No students are to be dropped at the pool at the beginning of the carnival or picked up by parents from the pool at the conclusion of the carnival as they will all return by bus back to Tamworth Public School.

There will be a charge of **\$6.00** (pool entry is \$3.50 and bus to and from school is \$2.50). Please send money to the school and not pay on the day. If your child has a season pass the cost will be \$2.50.

Those students who wish to compete in the Open Girls and Open Boys 100m freestyle, the 200 m Individual Medley (Junior and Senior Boys and Girls) and the Butterfly (Junior, 11 Years and Senior Boys and Girls) will participate in these races during the timeframe of the carnival not earlier as in previous years.

Students will need to wear Tamworth Public School sports uniform or sports shorts and house colour t-shirts, bring school hats, sunscreen, recess and lunch. No crepe paper for banners or hair colour is allowed by Council.

There will be no canteen available so students will need to bring their recess and lunch.

A list of events has been attached with the permission note. Can students please indicate on the event sheet the events they would like to participate in so it will be easier for marshalling purposes.

Students who place 1st, 2nd or 3rd in 50-metre races or greater will be selected to represent the school at Zone <u>if they qualify</u>. If your child qualifies for the Zone Carnival (Friday February 18 2022), they will be given a permission note.

Students will be placed in the age division depending on the year that they were born **e.g. born 2014 – 8 years events**.

PLEASE NOTE - Children in Year 2 but turning 8 this year can compete in 50 metre events only, but only if they are competent and competitive 50m swimmers and able to handle a long day at the pool.

There are three age divisions; Juniors (8, 9 and 10-year-old students), 11 years and Seniors (12 years and above).

Permission notes are to be returned to school no later than Monday 7 February, 2022. We appreciate your prompt assistance to help with the carnival planning.

If you have any questions please contact the school.

Thank you

Dylan Beasley
Swimming Coordinator

Christopher Connor **Principal**