Dear Parents/Caregivers

The 2017 Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival will be held on **Thursday 2 March at Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre**. Students will be travelling to and from the venue by bus.

Students from Epping Boys High School will also be volunteering on the day to assist with the smooth running of the carnival.

Students currently in Years 3-6 will be able to participate.

**Current Year 2 students who will be turning 8 years old in 2017 and are able to compete in the 50 metre events are eligible to attend.**

**Date:** Thursday 2 March 2017  
**Location:** Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre: 504 Victoria Road, Ryde  
**Time:** **8.00am - Buses will be leaving school promptly at 8.20am and will be unable to wait for late arrivals.**  
**Cost:** $15.00 bus and entry fee will be included on your Term 1 Family Account

There is a car park and street parking available. Please be aware that most of these spots are timed and parking rangers frequently roam this area. Spectators are welcome to attend and will need to pay an entry fee at the pool.

Children will compete in age races based on the age they will turn in **2017**. Use the table below to find out the correct age race for your child.

**50m Freestyle:**

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**50m Breaststroke/Backstroke/Butterfly:**

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The 200m Individual Medley (IM) and 100m freestyle is for strong swimmers only who can meet the demands of the event. The 100m freestyle is conducted as an open event (all age groups combined), the 200m IM is raced as Junior and Senior where children turning 11 years compete in the senior age group.
Please complete all of this page and return it to the Class Teacher by Wednesday 22 February 2017

2017 YEARS 3-6 SWIMMING CARNIVAL – RYDE AQUATIC CENTRE

I give permission for my child……………………………………………………………of class………… to attend the 2017 Swimming Carnival at Ryde Aquatic Centre on Thursday 2 March 2017 and to travel to and from the event by bus.

☐ I understand the $15.00 cost is included on my Term 1 Family Account.

Parent’s Name (please print)………………………………………………………………

Parent’s signature………………………………………………..Date………………

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Child’s name:…………………………………………………………..Class………………

DOB:……………………………..(DD/MM/YY)  Age group………

Please tick the events your child is competing in on the day:

☐ 50m Freestyle  ☐ 50m Breaststroke  ☐ 50m Backstroke

☐ 50m Butterfly  ☐ 100m Freestyle  ☐ 200m Individual Medley

☐ 25m Freestyle – **Tick only if your child is not doing the 50m Freestyle. This event is not open to any current Year 2 students. This event does not qualify for Zone participation. This event will only go ahead if time permits.**

Please tick the following;

My child is:

☐ permitted to go in the water  ☐ not permitted to go in the water

If your child is permitted to go in the water, please tick the response which best applies to your child’s ability:

☐ A non swimmer: My child is unable to swim

☐ A weak swimmer: My child is comfortable and confident in shallow water but cannot swim very well

☐ An average swimmer: My child is a reasonable swimmer but is not very strong or confident in deep water

☐ A strong swimmer: My child is a strong swimmer and is very confident in deep water

Students will be able to participate in novelty events and the school has use of the water slide and beach area of Ryde Aquatic Centre. These activities will be closely supervised by teachers and staff from the pool.