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Dear Parents of Grades 2-5,

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### SWIMMING SCHEME 2017- EXPRESSION OF INTEREST/COMMITMENT ALL STUDENTS IN GRADE 2: EXTRA PLACES GRADES 3-5

At the request of parents and the P&C, we have made enquiries to once again be involved in the Department of Education **School Swimming and Water Safety Scheme**. This is an intensive learn-to-swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The scheme is conducted over ten days and each daily lesson is 45 minutes. We have applied to be involved in the scheme at the beginning of Term 4. We will confirm the dates and location when we have more information. Instructors are provided by the Department of Sport & Recreation but parents will need to pay any pool entry and transport costs. We estimate that, on the basis of **30 students participating**, costs will be approximately \$120.00 per child but if only **20 students participate** the costs will be approximately \$170.00. Please understand that this is an estimate ONLY as the final cost may be different. The school is not in a position to subsidise this scheme. The minimum number to make participation viable is 20 students. If a minimum of 20 students are not interested in attending, we will not be able to participate in the scheme.

#### Guidelines for inclusion

Any child in Year 2 is encouraged to participate **regardless of existing swimming ability**, as there are additional skills taught at the course such as survival strokes and other water safety concepts that children may not have been exposed to previously. Students are assessed at the first lesson and placed in an appropriate group for their ability. At the end of the course, they receive a certificate with the level of skill attained including the longest distance swam up to a distance of 50 metres.

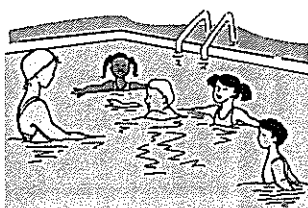
If participation in this scheme proceeds, a full information note and permission slip will be sent home. Please return the form attached to give us an indication of participating numbers. Offers of places will also be made to individual students in other grades.

Gillian Tegg  
Principal

Jodie Sheehy  
Swim Scheme Co-ordinator

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## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST SWIMMING SCHEME 2017



**YES**, I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ of Grade \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the 2017 swimming scheme.

**I UNDERSTAND** the costs of participation will be **approximately \$120.00 - \$170 per child**, depending on numbers involved.

**NO**, I do not want my child \_\_\_\_\_ of Grade 2 to participate in the 2017 swimming scheme.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Please return this slip to Miss Sheehy by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March***