



Narrandera High School

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PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

School Swimming Carnival Thursday 10th February 2022 Parent Information

Dear Parents

As most of you are probably aware, our school runs a “Twilight” swimming carnival for all students as part of our sport program. This year’s carnival will be held on **THURSDAY 10th February** at the Lake Talbot Swimming pool. The actual carnival starts at 2:00pm and will run through until 8:30pm. Students will then be dismissed from the pool to go home at the conclusion of the carnival as per a normal school day. Our carnival has grown over the past few years and is now one of the highlights of our school and broader Narrandera community calendars, with participation, enthusiasm and house spirit growing more and more each year. All students, staff and even parents are encouraged to dress in “House Colours” on the day as our carnival has something for **everyone**, from serious competitors through to those who just want to help out their team by dressing up and supporting their house. Parental involvement at the carnival is also encouraged and welcomed, so please feel free to come down to the pool at any time during the day, or night, to watch the carnival.

The carnival day will start with a **normal school day** until lunch time. Students will then walk down to the pool in their YEAR groups at 1:00pm after a roll mark to start the carnival at 2:00pm. **(Pool entry this year is still only \$2 for all students.)** The carnival will then conclude at 8:30pm. Unfortunately, buses will not be running at the conclusion of the carnival so parents will need to organise alternate transport arrangements for the conclusion of the carnival. It is hoped though that as many parents as possible will join us for the carnival to help increase the community atmosphere of the event.

All students are expected to remain at the pool until the conclusion of the carnival. If they need to leave before the end of the carnival, they must be **picked up** by a parent or guardian after notifying the designated member of staff. This means **that no notes from home for leave without being picked up will be accepted on this day.**

Covid Arrangements:

As you can imagine, there will be a number of strategies in place with this year's carnival to make it as CovidSmart as possible. This will include:

- *Cohorting (students will be in designated areas based on Year Groups/Stages, not House groups)*
- *Sanitiser will available for students to access at the Recorders Tent on a regular basis*
- *The carnival will obviously be held in an "outdoor setting"*
- *"Covid Acknowledgement" information and permission provided on permission notes.*
- *There will be a designated area for parents/community spectators. This area will be restricted from student access and, unfortunately, parents will not be able to come into the "school" designated area.*
- *It will be "recommended" to students that they wear masks when they are not competing and are sitting in their Year groups*
- *The Lake Talbot Pool Management and staff also implement and follow a comprehensive covid safe management plan*

Could you please fill out the attached permission note **(all sections)** and return it to school by **Tuesday 8th February**.

Any child who has not returned the note will not be able to participate in the school swimming carnival.

The school will also **not be conducting normal lessons** on Friday 11th February 2022.

Mr Mark Chappell
Sports Organiser

Mrs Marni Milne
Principal