**School Swimming and Water Safety Program**

**When:** Monday 4th March – Friday 15th March 2019 (Week 6 & 7)

**Where:** Port Kembla Olympic Pool, Olympic Blvd, Port Kembla

**Transport:** Walking

**Cost:** $0.00

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As part of our school curriculum we are offering a free learn to swim and water safety program for students in years 2, 3 and 4. The Department of Education School Swimming and Water Safety Program in an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The program is conducted over 10 days and each lesson is 45 minutes. Students do not need to have any swimming skills in order to participate. Students will be tested and grouped according to their swimming ability. They will then work with an instructor to develop skills appropriate to their needs and swimming ability.

**What to bring each day:**

* Swimming costume, a rash vest is recommended (wear to school under school uniform)
* A towel
* School hat
* It is recommended students apply water resistant sunscreen at home, before school
* A warm jumper or jacket for after the lesson (incase of a cool day)
* A raincoat or umbrella on rainy days
* Underwear to change into
* Bring everything **LABELLED** in a bag
* Swimming goggles (optional, but recommended)
* **NO MONEY**

Parent spectators are discouraged from attending, as students often perform better and have greater concentration when their parents are not watching.
Please be advised that due to time constraints and the children needing to be back at school, that purchases from the café are not available. Year 2 students will have recess at the usual time back at school. Years 3 and 4 students will be given a recess break on return to school. All students will have lunch at school at the usual time.

Please sign and return to your child’s classroom teacher, not the front office.

Tonia Reynolds

 Principal

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**School Swimming and Water Safety Program**

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from Room \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to attend the School Swimming Scheme classes to be held at Port Kembla Olympic Pool from 4.3.19-15.3.19

I understand that students will be walking to and from the pool.

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 of are (e.g. allergies, medical conditions, asthma etc):

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