Dear Parents,

Our swimming carnival is to be held on **THURSDAY 11th FEBRUARY** at the **Manly Swim Centre, Balgowlah Road, Manly** commencing at **10:00am**. Years 2 to 6 will participate in the carnival.

**ONLY THE 50M POOL IS AVAILABLE FOR SCHOOL USE.**

Please note: The 25m, Babies and toddlers pool are of bounds. The canteen is out of bounds to students.

- Please complete the entry form attached and return the form to school.
- When completing the entry form, please note that all events will be held in the 50m Pool. **Please make sure your child can swim the distance you enter them in.**
- Volunteer lifeguards will be in the water for 15m and infants 25m events. If your child is a weak swimmer or non swimmer, please note this on the entry form so that an appropriate lane can be allocated. Non Swimmers may use their own flotation aids.
- We encourage all children to participate in at least one race. Participation ribbons will be handed out for Non-championship races and Place ribbons will be awarded for Championship races.
- **There will be no finals.** The representative team for the Peninsula Catholic Primary Schools Swimming Carnival will be chosen on the times recorded at the school carnival. The Peninsula Carnival is to be held at Warringah Aquatic Centre on **Thursday 3rd March, 2016**.

All children need to arrive at school by **8:45 am** and will travel by bus to the Swim Centre. For students returning to school the buses will arrive back at school by **2.45 pm**. Children may leave the Carnival with their parents, as long as they have had their name checked off. Please indicate on the form if your child(ren) will be going home with you. **We need to know this to book return buses.**

**Entry to the pool is from 9:30am and the carnival starts at 10.00am.** The cost of entry to the pool is $5.50 for all spectators, payable at the entry gate. The children MUST wear their sport uniform and can wear a plain coloured t-shirt in their house colour. Sunscreen and a hat must be worn also. Students need to bring morning tea, lunch, drinks, goggles, swimming cap (in house colour if possible) and towel.

Please see the attached note from Manly Swim Centre outlining their entry policy. Please note that all children must leave the swim centre at the end of the carnival. If you wish to continue swimming once the carnival is over, you must re enter and pay an additional entry fee.

The kiosk will be open, but only adults will be allowed to purchase food. Hot beverages cannot be taken into the children’s seating area. Children will be required to sit in their colour house area and parents are welcome to sit with their children. Parents can drop their children at the entry to the marshalling area at the side of the pool but cannot enter.

If you are able to assist on the day, please complete the **Parent Volunteer** slip. Any help would be appreciated on the day as we can not run a successful carnival without your invaluable support.

Please note due to building works at the pool, the entrance to the pool and available parking is temporarily located on Kenneth Road.

Yours sincerely,

Michele Kerr  
SPORT CO-ORDINATOR
2016 SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL - ENTRY FORM

(Please return BOTH pages BY Wednesday 3rd FEBRUARY 2016 to your child’s class teacher)

Please complete one section only – children cannot participate in both.

NAME: ............................................................................ CLASS : .......... COLOUR HOUSE .............

DATE OF BIRTH: ........../........./.......... AGE GROUP: .......... (age turning in 2016)

*Only enter 1 distance per stroke.*

NON CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS 50m POOL

Not eligible for Peninsula swimming carnival. Participation ribbons will be handed out.

Yrs 2-6 ○ Weak Swimmer

Please tick maximum of three events, 1 distance per stroke only:

15m ○ Freestyle          or 25m ○ Freestyle          or 50m ○ Freestyle
15m ○ Breaststroke       or 25m ○ Breaststroke       
15m ○ Backstroke          or 25m ○ Backstroke          

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CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS 50m POOL

For children turning 8 years and older. Eligible for selection for Peninsula Carnival.

Place ribbons will be handed out.

The age you are turning in 2015, please tick events:

8yrs  (Born: 2008)  50m ○ Freestyle ○ Backstroke ○ Breaststroke ○ Butterfly
9yrs  (Born: 2007)  50m ○ Freestyle ○ Backstroke ○ Breaststroke ○ Butterfly
10yrs (Born: 2006)  50m ○ Freestyle ○ Backstroke ○ Breaststroke ○ Butterfly
11yrs (Born: 2005)  50m ○ Freestyle ○ Backstroke ○ Breaststroke ○ Butterfly
12yrs (Born: 2004)  50m ○ Freestyle ○ Backstroke ○ Breaststroke ○ Butterfly

Open (8 years and over)  100m ○ Freestyle

Senior (11 and over)     200m IM ○ Medley
Junior (8-10yrs)         200m IM ○ Medley
**PARENT VOLUNTEER**

NAME: .................................................................................. PHONE NO: .................................................................

ELDEST CHILD’S NAME: .......................................................... CLASS : .................

(Please print)

I will be able to assist at the Swimming Carnival at Manly Swim Centre on Thursday 11th February 2016 and would prefer to help with (please tick):-

- Time Keeping
- Judging
- Handing out refreshments to volunteers
- Lifesavers
- Recording
- Any Job

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**PERMISSION NOTE**

for Participation and Transport (please tick 1 box)

I give permission for my child ................................................................. Class ................. to travel by bus to and from Manly Swim Centre and to participate in the School Swimming Carnival at Manly on Thursday 11th February 2016.

☐ My child will be catching the BUS back to school

OR

☐ I will be taking my child HOME.

SIGNED: ........................................................................ DATE: .................................................................
The Manly Andrew ‘Boy’ Charlton Swim Centre

Swimming Carnival Important Notice

Dear Parent/Guardian

Please be advised that a spectator fee applies to any member of the general public who wish to view the swimming carnival. The spectator fee assists Council in meeting some of the operating costs of the Swim Centre which include the public liability insurance covering spectators.

*The Swim Centre conditions of hire for swimming carnivals does not allow students to swim in the 25m or toddlers pools whilst the carnival is in progress, even if signed out or accompanied by a parent or guardian.*

As all students entered as a school booking, they must exit the Swim Centre as a school group. If children wish to swim after the carnival is complete they are required to leave the centre with the school and re-enter, paying the $5.50 child entry fee. Children under 10 years of age must be supervised by an adult (18 years or over).

School Swimming Carnivals are a fun time for everyone and should be treated as such. The hirer is responsible for all attendees involved in the event. This includes, but not limited to, School Staff, Students, Volunteers and Spectators.

Any participant found to be abusive to any staff member of the Manly Swim Centre, members of the public or other event participants or fails to abide by the conditions of entry will be removed immediately from the Centre and reported to the School Principal. Failure to leave the Centre will result in the carnival being shut down and all attending participants will be required to leave the facility.

We hope all visitors enjoy their day at the Manly Swim Centre and embrace the positive & encouraging environment. Cheer on your kids!

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