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Dear Parents,

**Re: INTERM SWIMMING LESSONS**

I am writing to remind you that swimming lessons for students in Pre-Primary – Year 4 start on Monday 13 September at Joondalup Arena and run until Friday 24 September. There will be two afternoon sessions each day.

The lesson sessions will be as follows:

**Session 1** – 1240 - 1310: Cabin 8 & Cabin 9

**Session 2** – 1325 - 1355 Cadet 3, Cabin 3, Cabin 4

The cost of swimming lessons is expected to be around \$50 per student. Payment and permission information will be sent out in the next week.

Students are encouraged to use rash-shirts even though the lessons will be held indoors, they may bring swimming goggles but not snorkelling goggles. The swim school prefer students to arrive dressed ready to swim, that is, with bathers under their school uniform. Students will be given a 10-minute change time before they board the bus. Starboard Block will have change rooms, Cabin 6 & 7 (separate male and female rooms) in which all students are to get changed in from 11:50–12pm. Stern Block will have change rooms, Cabins 1 & 2 (separate male and female rooms) in which all students are to get changed in from 12:35-12:45pm.

Please remember to pack thongs in their swimming bags as they are not permitted to have thongs on all day at school. **All swimming gear should be labelled with the student's name and carried in a bag which is also labelled.** All clothes will be left in the bag at the marshalling area during lessons. Students with long hair are requested to have it tied back before arriving at the lessons and it is not appropriate to wear jewellery or bring valuables. Don't forget a towel!

There is no time for children to have showers for other than medical reasons, in which case a doctor's note is required. Children with a doctor's note will finish each lesson early to give them time to shower. If you have provided a doctor's note in the past, a simple 'reminder' note for our records would be most welcome.

If your child requires an epipen, or some other form of medication to be close at hand, it must be clearly marked and their bag identified to their supervising Ocean Reef staff member.

You are very welcome to come and watch your child swim, please note that there is a spectator fee of \$2.60 per adult payable at the Arena and all of our students must be transported from school and returned to school via the bus provided. Please also note, parents are not allowed into the changing rooms. We suggest contacting the Arena to check if there are specific changes to spectator numbers that are in place with COVID.

During the swimming fortnight, recess and lunch times will be modified for students. These times ensure that all students have time to eat and play before or after heading to the pool.

Finally, any student who is not swimming will remain in school and be relocated to the Chartroom where work will be provided for them by their teacher.

Yours faithfully

**Christopher Smith**

Deputy Principal

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