27 November 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian

HVGS Junior School Swimming Carnival

The annual Hunter Valley Grammar School Junior School Swimming carnival will be held on Wednesday 3 February 2016 at Maitland Pool, Maitland Park. This is the Wednesday of the first week of Term 1.

Relevant information for parents:

Attendance
Attendance is compulsory for all students in Years Three to Six. Year 2 students that turn 8 this year and who are confident and capable swimmers are welcome to attend.

Travel
All students will arrive at School in their full sports uniform. Buses will leave at approximately 9:00am and the carnival will start at 9:30am. Students will return to school for normal end of day arrangements.

Uniform/Equipment
Wear complete sports uniform to School.
Swimmers, towel, sunscreen, sport hat, sports bag and goggles (optional).
Students are to change into house coloured shirts when they arrive at the pool.
- Barrington - BLUE
- Watagan - RED
- Gloucester - GREEN
- Liverpool - YELLOW
No zinc, coloured hair spray or crepe paper allowed on the day. No fancy dress.

Program
A copy of the HVGS program can be viewed on the school website.

Novelties
For the non-swimmers there will be activities for them to enjoy!

Lunch
Please supply your child with snacks, lunch and drinks to last the day. The Pool canteen will be open. No School lunch orders please.

House Spirit
Participation is the key. Encourage your son/daughter to get involved in as many events as they are capable.
Students are to sit in allocated House areas until their event. All competitors will be given a coloured cap that they must wear for their race.
Cancellation
In the event of cancellation, students will be informed at school and classes will resume as normal. An e-blast will be sent to parents.

At the Carnival
- Sit in house stands.
- No sitting on grassed areas.
- Students should compete in at least one swimming event or novelty event.

Starters Commands
- Whistle - stand on back of blocks
- “Take your Marks” - move to front of block
- “Hooter” - start

Parents/Friends
Parents and friends are welcome to attend the Carnival and support their children on the day.

All spectators are asked NOT to sit or mingle with the children in the allocated House areas and to assist staff by insisting their child sit in their house area. If the children are not all together it makes Stand Supervision extremely difficult and can result in students missing events.

Qualification for HRIS
Swimmers will qualify for the HRIS Representative Carnival if they are placed first or second overall in the event. Remember there are several heats in most events so results will be entirely determined on times. The HRIS Championships will be held at Maitland Pool on 24 February 2016. HVGS will offer training sessions prior to HRIS. More details will be available to those selected in the HVGS squad.

If you have any enquiries please direct them to Mr Ross Murdoch on 4934 2444 during school hours.

Hope to see you there!

Yours sincerely

Ross Murdoch
Director of Sport K - 6

Amanda Osmond
Teacher in Charge - Swimming

Brett Blake
Director of Administration
Dear Parent/Guardian

**HVGS Junior School Swimming Carnival - Year 2 Students Attending**

All Year Two students were issued with information regarding the Primary Swimming Carnival to be held on Wednesday, 3 February 2016. Those students who are turning 8 years of age or older in 2016 and are confident and competent swimmers (are able to swim 50 metres) are invited to attend and participate.

If your child will be attending the carnival the attached permission slip must be completed and returned to school by Tuesday 2 February to enable rolls to be prepared for this event.

Yours sincerely

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Director of Sport K–6

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**HVGS Primary Swimming Carnival – Year 2 Students Attending**

*(Please return permission note to your class teacher by Tuesday 2 February, 2016)*

Student’s Name: _________________________________ Class: _______________

I give permission for my son / daughter to attend the Primary Swimming Carnival being held at Maitland Swimming Pool on Wednesday 3 February, 2016.

- My child is able to competently swim 50 metres with confidence

Please enter my son/daughter in the following events

- 8 years 50m freestyle
- 8 years 50m backstroke
- 8 years 50m breaststroke
- 8-10 years 100m freestyle
- 8-10 years 50m butterfly

I understand that he / she will be travelling to and from the pool by bus.

Signature: _________________________________ Date: ___________________

Parent/Guardian