



YEAR 2 SWIMMING PROGRAM 2019

Monday 4th March 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

An extensive Health and Physical Education Curriculum is delivered at Hartwell PS, in order to meet the aims and focus areas outlined in the Victorian Curriculum. Integral to Health and Physical Education, is the acquisition of movement skills to enable students to confidently and competently participate in a range of physical activities, as a foundation for lifelong physical activity. The Health and Physical Education Curriculum includes specific reference to movement skills in water and water safety, citing that the 'development of knowledge and skills relating to survival swimming and basic water safety can significantly reduce a child's drowning risk and enhance community safety' (VCAA 2016). Hence, whilst acknowledging this program is optional, we strongly encourage all students to participate in Hartwell's Year 2 Swimming Program in Week 2 & 3 of Term 2.

In 2019, HPS will continue to collaborate with staff at the Ashburton Pool and Recreation Centre to deliver the YMCA Swimming Program. Students will participate in eight forty five minute lessons (over a two week period) delivered by nationally qualified swim instructors. We aim to provide students with a cost effective opportunity, to develop their swimming and water safety skills, in a safe and friendly environment.

The cost of the program includes bus travel, pool entry, instructor costs, a water safety component and a certificate upon completion of the program. We endeavour to keep instructor to student ratios at 1:7 where possible.

The details are as follows:

Dates: Mon 29/4, Tues 30/4, Thurs 2/5, Fri 3/5, Mon 6/5, Tues 7/5, Wed 8/5, Thurs 9/5
Time: 12.30pm-1.15pm, 1.15pm-2.00pm, 2.00pm-2.45pm
(When numbers are confirmed, we will notify parents of the time of their child's lesson)
Transport: Driver Bus Lines
Please bring: Bathers, goggles, towel, swim cap is optional (In a small bag)
Cost: \$100

We have worked closely with the Program Manager at the pool, to ensure the requirements of our school, along with the needs of every student, are met throughout the program. We look forward to a successful program and many happy swimmers. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Permission and Payment can be completed online with Qkr

Please complete the payment and excursion permission using **Qkr** by Monday 18th March 2019.



I am required to confirm our enrolments with the pool well before the lessons begin, so it would be greatly appreciated if you could ensure this timeline is met. If your child is not swimming, could you please send me a brief email at bayes.joanne.l@edumail.vic.gov.au This will save me an enormous amount of time on follow up. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Jo Bayes
PE & Sport Co-ordinator

Kris Moore
Principal