Dear Parents/Caregiver,

The annual School Swimming Carnival will be held on Monday 20th February, 2012. The carnival is a compulsory school day, which will be held at Ripples Leisure Centre, St Marys. Students will be divided into houses, to compete for the swimming trophy and points for age champions. Your encouragement of students attending and participating would be appreciated.

Parents and caregivers are more than welcome to attend, however will need to sign on at the entry gate. No other visitors will be permitted into the pool area without the express permission of a Deputy Principal.

When: Monday 20th February, 2012
Where: Ripples Leisure Centre. Charles Hackett Drive, St Marys
Time: 9:00 am (Roll call at front of the centre) – 2.15pm.
Students will be dismissed from the pool at 2.15pm
Cost: $5 - which covers pool entry and hire (to be paid at Ripples on the day)
Bring: Swimmers, towel, hat, sunscreen, lunch or money for the canteen.

Students are divided into houses according to their surname and are encouraged to wear house colours.

Blaxland A – E Red
Macquarie L – Q Blue
King F – K Green
Ruse R – Z Yellow

➢ Parents have the option of taking students directly to Ripples Leisure Centre. **Roll call will be out the front of the centre at 9:00 am.** If students arrive at school, they will be transported by bus to and from the centre under teacher supervision, leaving school at 8:40 am and will travel back by bus at the end of the carnival.

➢ **Students will not be dismissed from the centre until 2.15 pm.** Students who need to catch school buses, will be taken back to school by bus under teacher supervision.

➢ If weather conditions are overcast, then the carnival will proceed. **The carnival will only be called off if there is heavy rain.**

➢ Parents may phone the school on 9623 6600 between 7:30 am – 8:00 am on the morning to find out if the carnival has been cancelled.

Please read and sign the attached permission note and return to Mrs. Turi in the PE Staffroom by Wednesday 15th February, 2012.

Tim. C. Jones
Principal

Mrs. L Turi
Sports Coordinator
SWIMMING CARNIVAL - PERMISSION NOTE

Please return permission note to the PE staffroom by WEDNESDAY 15TH FEBRUARY, 2012

1. I hereby consent/do not consent to ___________________________ (student name) participating in an excursion to Ripples Leisure Centre on Monday 20th February, 2012 and travel by bus.

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<td>In relation to the proposed water or swimming activities, I advise that my child is a: (please tick one)</td>
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<td>☐ strong swimmer (25-50m)</td>
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I advise that my child requires the following flotation device to assist him/her in the water: 

I undertake to provide this device so that my child can participate in the excursion: Yes / No

Special needs of my child which you should be aware (e.g. allergies, medication – please provide full details): 

I give / do not give permission for my child to participate in the water or swimming activities. 

Please indicate: 
☐ My child will catch the bus to and from school   ☐ My child will go directly to and from Ripples

Emergency contact:
Home phone: ___________________ Mobile phone: ___________________
Work phone: ___________________

Parent/Guardian signature ________________________ Date ________________________