

24 September 2018

Royal Life Saving ACT Swim School

Dear Parent/Carer,

Duffy Primary School is excited to be offering Year 2 students the opportunity to acquire essential life skills in water safety and survival through Royal Life Saving ACT.

The ACT Education and Training Directorate provides substantial funding for Year 2 students in ACT Public Schools to participate in the new Royal Life Saving ACT Aqua Safe program – a series of 10 practical and 5 theory lessons focussed on general water safety and personal aquatic survival skills. This targeted approach will ensure every participating student has the opportunity to access structured aquatic activities during primary school.

To ensure your child's inclusion in this year's program, please complete the attached permission note and return to school no later than: **Monday 29th October 2018**.

Enrolment

To enrol your child for the swim school program you will need to also go to the Royal Life Saving website, www.royallifesavingact-enrol.com.au. You will need to select the **Register** tab on the top right-hand corner of the website and put in the code **AS1225DUF18**. This will take you through the registration process for you child. Please enrol your child by the **29/10/18** to ensure a smooth transition into appropriate swim level. If you have problems using the website please contact the front office where there will be a hard copy for you to pick up. If you experience any difficulty with your online enrolment, please contact Royal Life Saving ACT directly on 6260 5800. For all other enquiries, please contact the school.

Payment

Payment for the program will be made online at the time of registration unless otherwise arranged with the school. Please talk to the school if you are unable to pay online (i.e. no credit card), you will be issued a unique voucher number after payment to the school has been made.

Please also return the attached medical and permission note by 29/10/18.

- Date:** 5 – 16 November 2018
Time: Depart Duffy Primary at 11:55am
Arrive back to Duffy Primary at 1:40pm
Destination: CISAC Eastern Valley Way Belconnen
Cost: \$50
Transport: ACTION BUS
Food: Students will need a packed lunch that they will eat at school however because of the time that we are going we would ask that students don't have lunch orders.
What to Wear: School uniform with swim wear underneath, pack spare underwear, towel, goggles and plastic bag to put wet swim wear into. **Closed in shoes, NO Thongs/Flip-flops please.**

Staff accompanying students on excursions will take all reasonable care while the students are in their charge to protect them from injury and to control and supervise their behaviour and activities.

Parents should be aware that staff members are not responsible for injuries or damage to property, which may occur on an excursion where, in all circumstances, staff have not been negligent. Parents should warn children of the risk to themselves, to others and to property, of impulsive, wilful or disobedient behaviour.

Attendance at this excursion is optional. Schools may offer or facilitate specific optional items, activities and services for which parents are required to pay if they want their child to access them. These excursions are classified as optional enrichment programs. If you do not wish your child to attend then a program will be available at the school.

Parents who wish their child to attend can pay the full amount within the given timeframe, or alternatively, make arrangements to make regular payments through an agreed payment plan. The Student Support fund that may be accessed to support students is used for educational purposes and to support students with a variety of educational needs. As this is an optional enrichment activity, the Student Support fund does not cover this excursion.

We hope all students are able to attend and participate in this valuable learning experience.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Kat Carling on 6142 2510.

Regards,

Rachael Dwyer, Christine Elliot and Kat Carling

Year 2 Aqua Safe Swim Program: 5-16 November 2018

I give permission for my child _____ in class _____ to attend the excursion to CISAC for the Aqua Safe Swim Program on 5-16 of November 2018. I understand the students will be travelling by Action Bus to and from CISAC, leaving school at 11:55 and returning at 1:40pm each day.

I have discussed with my child the need for sensible behaviour on this excursion.

I authorise the school to make arrangements for the welfare of my child (including medical or surgical treatment) in an emergency and I agree to meet the costs associated with any emergency arrangements made by the school. I agree to provide to the school any medical information relevant to this excursion. I agree that my child will be under the authority of the school for the duration of the excursion and that the school is authorised to return my child to school or home at my expense if the school considers that circumstances warrant such action. I give permission for my child to travel by private car, driven by a staff member or parent, in an emergency.

I have read the above information regarding this excursion and understand what it contains.

I give permission (please tick box) for the school to take photos of my child and share them on Facebook and/or the school website (delete if it doesn't apply) about this excursion/activity.

Full name of Parent/Guardian (please print): _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: __/__/__

Daytime Contact Person: _____ Daytime Contact Number: _____