

17 June 2021

Royal Life Saving ACT - Aqua Safe Program

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 Directorate provides substantial funding for Year 2 students in ACT Public Schools to participate in the Royal Life Saving ACT Aqua Safe program – a series of 5 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.

All things going well, we will be participating in this program in Week 3, Term 3: Monday 26 July to Friday 30 July 2021.

Enrolment

To enrol your child for the swim school program you need to go to the Royal Life Saving website, www.royallifesavingact-enrol.com.au. Select the **Register** tab on the top right-hand corner of the website and put in the code for your child's class (see table below). This will take you through the registration process for your child. Please enrol your child by the **Monday 19 July 2021** to ensure a smooth transition into appropriate swim level. 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 **Monday 19 July 2021**.

Date: Monday 26 July- Friday 30 July 2021

Time: 2JS

2CN & 2RT

Depart Duffy Primary at 11:20am

Arrive back to Duffy Primary at 1:20pm (approx.)

Depart Duffy Primary at 12:40pm

Arrive back to Duffy Primary at 2:20pm (approx.)

Code: **AS1155DUF21**

AS1300DUF21

Destination: Lakeside Leisure Centre, Tuggeranong

Cost: \$50

Transport: Bus

Food: Students will need a packed lunch that they will eat at school. Due to the timing of our swimming lessons lunch orders will be unavailable to 2JS.

What to Wear: School uniform with swim wear underneath, pack spare underwear, towel, goggles, sandals and plastic bag to put wet swim wear into.

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 your child's year two teacher.

Regards,

Chris Nairn, Jess Spencer & Bec Thompson

Year 2 Aqua Safe Swim Program: 26 July – 30 July

I give permission for my child _____ in class _____ to attend the excursion to Lakeside Leisure Centre, Tuggeranong for the Aqua Safe Swim Program on Monday 26 July – 30 July 2021. I understand the students will be travelling by Bus to and from Lakeside Leisure Centre each day from Duffy Primary School.

I have discussed with my child the need for sensible behaviour whilst at the swimming pool.

I understand that at any time this program may be postponed or cancelled for health and safety reasons as identified by the School, Education Directorate and/or ACT Health.

In the event that this program is cancelled Aqua Safe will provide a full refund.

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 about this excursion.

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

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

Daytime Contact Person: _____ Daytime Contact Number: _____