Please tick below the events in which your son/daughter is wishing to compete at our swimming carnival. By signing each entry you are indicating that your child can competently swim in each event.

Students Name: __________________________
Age that they are turning or have turned this year: _____

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Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Our annual Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday 16th February at Carrs Park Pool. Attached to this note are the following:
- Permission note
- entry form
- a letter explaining changes to our normal carnival
- a medical form

As is explained we have changed the organisation of our carnival. When filling out the entry form please consider very carefully your child’s swimming ability. Your child must be a confident and competent swimmer to enter a race. All entry forms need to be returned to Miss Benson by **Wednesday 10th February** to allow entries to be entered into the computer. No entries will be accepted after this date. **There will be no free time for swimming.** Only students who have entered a race will be allowed in the pool. If you wish your child **not** to attend the swimming carnival they will be supervised at school. Please note that whilst we as a school support participation, water activities have an inherent safety risk which we must manage. This requires additional safeguards and restrictions not required at other carnivals. The main purpose of this carnival is to provide opportunities for competent swimmers to proceed through representative ranks. Students will travel by bus to and from the pool. Students in Years 5 and 6 will depart school at 8:30 and Years 3 and 4 at 9:00am. The cost of the carnival is $10 which covers entry into the pool ($4) and bus travel. Spectators will be charged $4 at the gate. A canteen will be available at certain times of the day.

Students swimming will need to bring a towel, sunscreen, appropriate footwear, hat, healthy lunch and snacks, water and clothes to change into if needed. Students not swimming are to wear either their sports uniform or clothes in the colour of their house, a hat, wear sunscreen, healthy lunch and snacks, water and wear appropriate footwear.

Please fill in the appropriate forms for your child and return to school with your money by Wednesday 10th February.

Yours Sincerely

Anne Hewson     Jenny Benson
Principal      Carnival Organiser
Connells Point Public School Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 16th February 2010

Please fill in the appropriate sections for your child.

Child’s Name: ___________________
Childs Class: _____

Section 1

I give permission for ___________________ of class _______ to travel by bus to and from Carrs Park Pool on Tuesday 16th February 2010. I understand that the cost of bus hire and entry into the pool will be $10.

________________________________________________________
(Parent/Caregiver)                Name (Please Print)             Date

I give permission for ___________________ of class ______ to compete in races at Connells Point Public School swimming carnival on Tuesday 16th February 2010. I acknowledge that my child is a competent swimmer and have signed the attached entry form for each event entered.

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(Parent/Caregiver)

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Section 2

My child will be attending the Connells Point Public School swimming carnival but will not be entering any races and will be a spectator throughout the day. I understand that my child will not be participating in free swimming.

________________________________________________________
(Parent/Caregiver)               Name (Please Print)             Date

Section 3

My child will not be attending Connells Point Public School swimming carnival and will be staying at school.

________________________________________________________
(Parent/Caregiver)               Name (Please Print)             Date
Swimming Carnival Important Information

A memorandum was received by all public schools at the end of 2008 regarding school aquatic activity and water safety. An inquest was conducted by the Coroner in September 2008 as a result of the tragic drowning of a Year 2 student in December 2006. The Department of Education and Training is committed to taking all possible steps to avoid such a tragic event happening again. Connells Point Public School, as in 2009 will be implementing the following measures as required by DET policy.

* All students attending the swimming carnival will be required to complete a detailed permission note
* If details are still not clear to the school, parents will be contacted for further information
* All students wishing to compete in an event at the carnival are to enter prior to the carnival and have parental permission for each event entered
* No entries will be accepted after Wednesday 11th February
* Each child, if entering an event, is to be a **competent swimmer** (be able to swim the length of the pool without stopping)
* All students prior to the carnival will watch a power point presentation illustrating the correct way to dive or enter into a pool
* A risk assessment and a risk management plan prepared for the day will be issued to all staff members
* All attending staff members have current Emergency Care and CPR qualifications
* For the safety of our children non-swimmers will not be able to enter the pool.