Thursday 16 February 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Macgregor Primary School is excited to be offering all 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 focused 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.

The cost of the program (including bus travel to and from the pool) is $50.00 per student.

It is expected that every Year 2 student in ACT Public Schools participate in this program, if they are able. If there are any financial concerns, please contact the front office to speak to our school business manager, Tanya Price.

Our program will begin on Monday 1 May 2017 and end on Friday 12 May 2017. Students will attend a 30-minute lesson each day for 10 days. Our program will be held at Canberra International Sports and Aquatic Centre, Belconnen (CISAC). You are more than welcome to attend and observe your child’s progress throughout the program.

Please complete the attached permission note and return to school with correct payment no later than: Thursday 2 March 2017

Once permission/payment is received, there will be a second note sent home, detailing how to register your child’s details, including existing swimming abilities, via the Royal Lifesaving Online portal.
Year 2 Aqua Safe: Water Safety and Awareness Program

- **When:** Monday 1 May - Friday 12 May 2017 (Weeks 2 & 3 of Term 2)
- **Where:** Canberra International Sports and Aquatic Centre, Belconnen (CISAC)
- **Time:** 12:25pm – 12:55pm; 1:00pm – 1:30pm
- **Transport:** Bus
- **Cost:** $50.00
- **Preferred payment method:** Quick Web  
  **Fee Code:** AQUASAFE
  Quick Web is the school's preferred payment method
- **Notes Due:** Thursday 2 March 2017

I am aware that my child will be travelling by bus to the venue. I am aware that it is the responsibility of the driver to ensure that he/she carries the required driver's licence, that the vehicle is appropriately registered and insured, is roadworthy and the number of passengers does not exceed the seat belt provision of the vehicle.

The permission note must be returned to the school no later than **Thursday 2 March 2017**. Please be aware that notes will not be accepted after the due date. Children without permission notes will not be able to attend the excursion.

- **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, willful or disobedient behaviour.**

The school has made every effort to keep the cost for this activity to a reasonable level. The school has a student support fund to provide financial assistance for students where parents are unable to pay the required excursion costs. Please speak to Tanya Price, Business Manager, if you require assistance.

If you have any queries regarding this excursion please feel free to contact us at school on 6205 7511.

Sincerely

Jarryd Heywood  
PE Specialist Teacher
Year 2 Aqua Safe: Water Safety and Awareness Program

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

I give permission for my child __________________________ in class _______ to attend the Aqua Safe: Water Safety and Awareness Program at Canberra International Sports and Aquatic Centre, Belconnen.

- I authorise the teacher in charge to make arrangements for the welfare of the student (including medical or surgical treatment) in an emergency. I agree to meet the costs associated with any emergency arrangement made by the teacher in charge - free ambulance transportation only applies in the ACT.

- I agree that the student will be under the authority of the school for the duration of the excursion, and that the teacher in charge is authorised to return the student home at the expense of the parent/guardian if the teacher in charge considers that circumstances warrant such action.

Full name of Parent/Guardian (please print) __________________________________________

Emergency contact no. __________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian: ___________________________ Date: _______________

We have a copy of your child’s Medical Information Form lodged in our records. Please complete the section below only if your child’s medical circumstances have changed since lodging the form with the school.

ADDITIONAL MEDICAL INFORMATION

NAME: ___________________________ CLASS: _____________

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SIGNED: ___________________________________ DATE: _______________

Payments for the excursion can be made via the following ways:

☐ Quickweb (preferred method) – go to www.macgregorps.act.edu.au – via secure payment tab

☐ I have enclosed cash/cheque of $____________

☐ Deposited the amount of $_________ via Internet banking into BSB: 032777  A/C: 001578

(Please email the school with payment details - student name/roll group/payment type)

☐ Please deduct $_________ from: ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa

Card No: __ __ __ __/ __ __ __ __/ __ __ __ __/ __ __ __ __

Card Expiry Date: ____/____

Card Holder Name: _____________________ Signed: ____________________