2015 SPECIAL SWIMMING SCHEME

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again in 2015, Wallacia Public School will be taking part in the NSW Department of Education and Communities School Swimming and Water Safety Program.

The Special Swimming Scheme is an intensive learn-to-swim program which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. **Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills, and are unable to swim 25 metres confidently and unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate.**

The Scheme focuses on non-swimmers in Years 2 and 3, but provides for non-swimmers in years 4 to 6.

The Swim Scheme will take place at Warragamba Pool under the instruction of qualified teachers.

The Scheme will continue each day for one week from **Monday 16 March to Friday 20 March 2015, inclusive.**

Lessons each day will be from 1 pm to 2.30 pm. Students will leave school by parent transport at 12.40 pm, and will need to be picked up at the conclusion of the lessons at approx. 2.45pm and return to Wallacia Public School.

There will be no charge for instruction; however pool entry per student per day is $2.55, so the total cost for the 5-day program is $12.75.

If parents wish to enter the pool to accompany children, the entry cost is $2.20 (pay as you enter).

Each child should bring:

- A swimming costume (including rash vest if possible)
- Two towels
- A t-shirt
- Hat
- Sunscreen, to be applied regularly
- A jumper/track suit in case of cool weather
- Plastic bag with dry underwear
- **Asthma Puffer** (if needed)
- **Epipen** (if needed)
Transport
Because of the high cost of bus transport, parent help is needed for the scheme to proceed.

If you can transport children in your car, on any of the days, it would be much appreciated. Please complete the relevant section on the attached form.

Swim School payment $12.75 can be made by direct credit via the school website “$Make a payment” or by returning the attached consent form and correct money ($12.75 per child) in an envelope, placing the envelope in the red payment box at the school office, by Friday 27 February. Please note that, due to the need to arrange transport, no late payments can be accepted.

Please note also that should the minimum number of students (approximately 15) not enrol, the scheme is unlikely to proceed.

Yours with thanks
Mr Mark Davies
Principal
Wallacia Public School

2015 SCHOOL SWIMMING AND WATER SAFETY PROGRAM CONSENT FORM

I hereby consent to the participation of my child______________________ in the Special Swimming Scheme to be held at Warragamba Pool from Monday 16 March to Friday 20 March 2015.

I can / cannot assist with transporting ________ (number of) children in addition to my child, on day /s ________________________.

Signed: ______________________________

I have made an online payment on DATE: _______ RECEIPT NUMBER________

I enclose $12.75 per child.______________________________

In the event of injury or illness, I also authorise the seeking of such medical assistance on my behalf as my child may require.

Special needs of my child of which you should be aware (e.g. allergies, sensory impairment, etc):___________________________________

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Signed: ________________________________ (Parent/Caregiver) Date: __________________

Parent/caregiver contact phone number: ________________________