



16 February 2017

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

One strand of our Physical Education programme is swimming. This is a requirement of the New Zealand Curriculum and, as we do not have our own pool, our students attend the Northern Arena facility in Silverdale for a series of 9 half hour lessons with qualified instructors. In previous years we have been very impressed with the swim school's organisation and professionalism, as well as the progress and confidence of so many of our students over the period of the lessons.

The students will be split into ability groups and taken at their level to build confidence and learn or practise swimming skills. Attached to this letter is a questionnaire to give Northern Arena an indication of your child's current swimming ability. Please return this to your child's class teacher.

Please note we only take students in Years 2 – 6. This ensures that the Year 1 classes keep to their newly established school routines.

Students in Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 and Year 2's from Room 9 will go every school day from Monday 3rd – Thursday 13th April.

Students in Rooms 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 will go every school day from Tuesday 9th – Friday 19th May.

We will be travelling by bus.

The children will need their togs, towel, a swimming or plastic bag, swimming cap (compulsory) and goggles (if they wish) every day. Swimming caps will be available for sale from the school office closer to the time.

Unfortunately parents are not permitted to watch lessons due to Health and Safety requirements. This is a Northern Arena regulation.

The cost for the lessons including transport is \$100. Please ensure that this is paid before your child attends their first lesson. We are happy to accept regular instalments for this. Our school bank account details are: ASB 12 3136 0055936 00. Please use your child's name and "swimming" as reference if making payments online.

Sherryl Prangle
Deputy Principal

Child's Name: _____ Room No: _____

I give permission for _____ to attend swimming lessons at Northern Arena and will pay the required amount by the commencement of lessons.

Signature of Parent/Caregiver: _____