

29th November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

POOL FUN DAY

To celebrate the end of a great year, students from kindergarten to year 6 will be visiting Dickson Aquatic Centre on Monday 17th December 2018, for a day of fun and activities. Below are the details for the excursion.

- Day/Date:** Monday, 17th December 2018
Venue: Dickson Aquatic Centre, 152 Cowper Street, Dickson
Time: **Departing Red Hill Primary School at 9.30am**
Returning to Red Hill Primary School by 2.45pm
- Transport:** Bus
Cost: **\$10.00** **Due date for payment Thursday 13th December 2018**
- What to Bring:** Swimmers – this must include a “rashie” or shirt with sunsmart shoulder protection.
Towel, sunsmart hat, sunscreen, swimming goggles if required (optional).
Dry clothing and a plastic bag to put wet clothing in at the end of the day.
Please pack lunch, recess and a water bottle
- Activities:** Structured fun activities have been organised for all students to participate in during the day, both in and out of the pool
- Teacher in Charge:** Dan Graetz
Ratio: 1:20

This is a fun day for all students from. Students will be participating in a range of activities in the different pools, aquatic park, grassed areas and volley ball courts. It is important that students are sunsmart aware throughout the day, wearing a rash vest at all times and a sunsmart hat when not in the pool. Sunscreen will be available at the first aid station if personal sunscreen is forgotten and regular reminders will be given during the day; however, students are required to apply sunscreen themselves.

All students in years 2 to 5 are required to take part in a Royal Life Saving Society ACT Survival Proficiency Test to determine their swimming ability. This will be conducted at the beginning of the day and results will be valid for the Red Hill School 2019 swimming carnival. Year 6 students who have been tested and show proficiency on our records will not have to complete this test. Testing for year 6 students who do not have proficiency will be available on request on the day.

If needed, the school can be contacted on 6142 0960. In an emergency the school has full access to all pool facilities and the appropriate emergency services. Students not attending the pool will remain at school.

Canteen facilities are available at the pool for students and families to make purchases, however please ensure that your child has lunch and recess with them as well. We strongly encourage students to bring no more than \$5 to spend at the canteen and remind students that it is their responsibility to keep money safe. Students should not bring personal electronic devices or valuables to the pool.

Parents will need to ensure that students are at school no later than 9.10am on the day of the excursion.

It is important that staff are aware of your child’s swimming ability prior to the event. If you are happy for your child to attend, please carefully complete the attached permission note indicating your child’s swimming ability and return the permission form, medical form and money to your child’s classroom teacher before **10.00am on Thursday, 13th December 2018.**

Kind regards,

Dan Graetz
PE Teacher

RED HILL SCHOOL PERMISSION FORM**Pool Fun Day**

**This signed consent form and money should be returned to your child's classroom teacher
no later than 10.00am Thursday 13th December 2018.**

I give permission for my child _____ in class _____
to attend the Pool Fun Day at Dickson Aquatic Centre on Monday 17th December 2018.

My child can swim: No

Yes

Distance my child can swim: 10m

25m

50m

100m

I agree to my child taking part in swimming and aquatic activities associated with this excursion

Enclosed is a cheque/cash to the value of **\$10.00** to cover the cost of the excursion.

On-line payment made on (date) _____ receipt number _____
Please ensure that this permission form is returned to your child's teacher

I have completed and returned the attached Swimming Fun Day Medical Information and Consent Form as required by ACT Education Directorate.

Please provide details of any medication your child may require during the Pool Fun Day and/or any medical/allergic condition from which she/he suffers.

Please ensure that medication is clearly labelled and given to the teacher on the day of the excursion.

I have read the attached information regarding this excursion and understand what it contains. I understand the student will be under the authority of the school for the duration of the excursion. I authorise the teacher in charge to make any arrangements, medical or otherwise necessary for the welfare of my child and agree to meet any costs incurred. This may include the cost of returning the child home should circumstances warrant. 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. In the case of unacceptable or dangerous behaviour, arrangements may be made to exclude a child or arrange for them to be sent home at the expense of the parents.

Name of Parent/Carer (please print): _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Red Hill operates within the guidelines of the Education Act. As this excursion/camp is an optional enrichment activity, we are requesting parent payment to cover the cost. Student Support funds are available if you are experiencing financial hardship. Please contact the principal or business manager to arrange financial assistance if this is the case. However, please note that the excursion may be cancelled if there are insufficient funds to cover the cost.