

2 March 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians

AIC Swim Championship – Tuesday 8 March 2022

The 2022 AIC swim season will reach its conclusion next Tuesday 8 March with the annual AIC Swimming Championships to be held at Chandler. This letter will outline some important details regarding arrangements we have in place up until the day of the Championships.

Our final swim team, who will compete at the AIC Swimming Championships, will be selected based on times recorded at the AIC swim meets held throughout the season. Unfortunately, not every student who has trained throughout the season will swim on the day of the Championship. All swimmers who have consistently trained and attended the AIC swim meets will travel to Chandler next Tuesday either as a competitor or a reserve. Buses will transport your son to and from Chandler on the day of the Championship.

The complete list of the Villanova College swim team, including the competitors list for each event will be posted within the Parent Lounge portal by midday this Friday, 4 March.

The last AIC swim meet for the season was to be held at St Peter's Lutheran College Pool this Friday, however, this meet has now been cancelled and will not be replaced. Given there is no meet this Friday, several swim offs will be organised during the training sessions this week to confirm the team.

Normal training times will continue throughout this week. We ask all swimmers to attend all the remaining swim sessions as a priority so that we can practice relay changes, starts and finishes for the Championships. It is critical that the boys arrive 10 minutes before the allocated training session, so that warm up can begin promptly at either 6.30 or 7.00am depending on the day.

Unfortunately, the NEW 2022 Villanova squad shirts have not arrived at the Villanova College Uniform Shop. All squad members must now wear the revised uniform below:

- Villanova togs, Villanova racers or any plain black togs are acceptable, no other colours are permissible
- Villanova PE shirt (as the NEW 2022 Villanova squad shirt has not arrived)
- Villanova green PE shorts
- NEW 2022 Villanova sports socks
- Villanova swim cap (this will be given out free of charge to all squad members)

Please note: Only one pair of togs may be worn, to meet with QSA and AIC regulations.

On the day of the AIC Swimming Championships, we ask all swimmers (and reserves) to meet the swim managers promptly at 6.25am in the Middle School Quadrangle wearing their swim uniform (Villanova PE shirt and PE shorts). The boys will receive some final team instructions and presentations will be made to our senior swim team and captains before a team photo is taken at 6.40am. A bus will then depart the College for Chandler at 7.00am. The carnival will conclude by 1.30pm with presentations. We ask all swimmers to travel as a team to the Championships on the buses provided (not with parents



please). Parents may collect their son after the Championship from the venue. Alternatively, a return bus service to the College will be available. Boys should arrive back to school for normal departure at 3.00pm.

Boys should bring their own food and plenty of water to drink on the day of the Championships. Food for the day should be light and easily digestible. As we are trying to encourage our athletes to follow a healthy diet, we ask our swimmers not to buy any food at the canteen until after their events. Please find attached an 'Order of Events' schedule for the Championships.

Spectators - Parents and Students

The College will send the entire Year 11 cohort to the AIC Swim Championships to cheer on the swim team. Parents are permitted to attend the AIC Swim Championships and will be allocated seating on the top tier of the grandstand directly above our swim squad and cheer squad. Please see a copy of the seating plan attached.

AIC Swimming - Key Dates

Thursday 3 March

• Training session held at Langlands Pool

Friday 4 March

- The final swim training session for the season at Langlands Pool
- The Villanova swim team list will be published on Parent Lounge by noon
- St Peter's Lutheran College swim meet cancelled

Tuesday 8 March - AIC Swim Championships at Chandler Pool

- The swim team meets in the Middle School quadrangle at 6.25am for a team brief and photo
- The senior team and squad captains will be acknowledged
- Bus departs the College for Chandler at 7.00am
- Arrive at Chandler 7.30am, warm up 8.00am 8.30am, first event at 8.45am
- Presentations are to be held between 1.15pm 1.30pm
- Bus departs Chandler at 1.45pm and returns to the College
- Parents may collect their son from Chandler at the completion of the presentations or back at the College at 3.00pm

In case of an emergency on the day of the Championship please call Mrs Juanita Jacobs 0417 777 501. We wish our entire squad the very best in the lead up to the Championships and on the day itself. I hope the boys enjoy the experience of representing their college. Please be assured that the entire College community is behind the team and wishes them all the best.

Yours sincerely

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