Carnivals – Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics

Swimming Carnival
- The swimming carnival will be held in Term 1 of each year.
- Competitors must be able to swim 50 metres and must be 8 years old in that year, or older.
- All races will be timed and records kept.
- Finals will only be held for 50m freestyle. The first four places in all other events will be based on the four fastest times.
- House relays will be held if time permits.
- Relay teams for the Zone Carnival will be made up of the four fastest swimmers plus a reserve in the juniors (8, 9 and 10 years) and seniors (11, 12 and 13 years). Should a relay team progress further, the team will consist of the swimmers who participated. That is, if the reserve swam, he/she will swim in the next level of competition. **The only exception to this would be if the faster swimmer is not able to compete on the day of the Zone/Regional Carnival due to competing in another PSSA event.**

Cross Country Carnival
- The cross country carnival will be held late term 1 or early term 2 of each year.
- Participation in the carnival is optional.
- Competitors must be 8 years old in that year, or older.
- All races are timed and records kept.

Athletics Carnival
- The athletics carnival will be held late term 2 or early term 3 of each year.
- All children in years 3 to 6 are expected to participate.
- Children who are 8 years old in that year and are in year 2 may also participate.
- All races are timed and records kept.
- There will be finals in the 100m and the 200m, time and weather permitting.
- The first four places will be given to the four fastest times from all heats where there are no finals.
- House relays will be held if time permits.
- Relay teams for the Zone Carnival will be made up of the four fastest 100m runners plus a reserve in the juniors (8, 9 and 10 years) and seniors (11, 12 and 13 years). Should a relay team progress further, the team will consist of the runners who participated. That is, if the reserve ran, he/she will run in the next level of competition. **The only exception to this would be if the faster runner is not able to compete on the day of the Zone/Regional Carnival due to competing in another PSSA event.**
- Long jump and high jump will be held at the carnival. A qualifying height and distance will be set based on previous records.
- Discus and shot put will be held at school prior to the carnival.

In order to compete at Zone Carnivals, students must compete at the school carnival. In exceptional circumstances where a school carnival cannot be held, the school team for the Zone Carnival will be made up of students with proven current records in swimming, cross country running and athletics. These records must come from either the school or club records.

This policy was developed by staff representatives, the PSSA coordinator, Sandra Nakkan, deputy principals, Robyn Beck and Michelle Michael and the principal Margaret Turner in Term 4 2011.

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