



# DONGARA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

## *FACTION SURF CARNIVAL 2017*

Dear Parents,

This year's Surf Carnival (years 1-12) is on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017** at South Beach. This is a year 1-12 Carnival for Junior and Senior students, all students having the opportunity to compete in a minimum of four events.

**The Carnival will start at 9am and finish at approximately 1-2pm. All students are required to be in their house bays and ready to compete by 8.50am. House bays will be located close to the surf club or approximately 300m south of the surf club.**

Water safety will be covered by qualified teaching staff and local Surf Club members. Course markers will be set at age and condition appropriate distances with water/board marshals and the IRB present to monitor competitors and conditions.

Due to the more exposed nature of this venue, it is possible that if conditions are not suitable, the carnival will be postponed to a date the following week. Please note that depending on tides we will either be holding it at the surf club or approximately 300m south of the surf club.

No students are permitted to enter the water prior to the Carnival; parents please assist us to run the Carnival safely by not allowing your child/ren to enter the water prior to the Carnival. Students are not required to come to school first, however, this is a school day, and so attendance is **COMPULSORY**.

The country buses will run, children will be dropped at the beach and collected from school at normal school finishing time.

The children will need to bring:

- Hat/cap
  - Sunscreen
  - Towel, bathers, rash vest
  - Faction T-shirt
  - Lunch, Snacks, drinks (lots of water)
- NO glass bottles**

The **School Canteen** will be closed; food and drinks will be on sale at the carnival please support our P & C.

**Finishing Times** – There will be a short break for lunch if weather and time permits. It is anticipated that the Carnival will finish by approximately 1pm. It is the responsibility of parents to organise collection of their child/ren from South Beach at this time, as teachers will be involved in the packing up of equipment. Children who are not collected at South Beach will be taken back to school and dismissed at 3.05 pm.

**PARENTS PLEASE TAKE NOTE: AT THE COMPLETION OF THE CARNIVAL NO STUDENTS ARE PERMITTED TO ENTER THE WATER FOR A FREE SWIM UNTIL ALL STAFF HAVE FINISHED PACKING UP AND HAVE LEFT SOUTH BEACH.**

**Parent Help** is the key ingredient for success at our carnivals. Parents can help in many ways, judging events, organising equipment, encouragers, First Aiders, finish line holders and supervisors with Swimming Qualifications. Can you help make our Carnival a success? If so, please indicate below and return to the school as soon as possible.

Hope to see you there on the day supporting the children.

Thank you, Francois James, PE Coordinator.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No \_\_\_\_\_

I am able to help at: Dongara District High School Surf Carnival (Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March)

I am willing to help in any way possible, or Specific \_\_\_\_\_

I have a First Aid Qualification or Bronze Medallion or Aus swim (Please indicate) \_\_\_\_\_