

LENDY PARK SCHOOL

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Lendy Park School - Swimming Pool Policy

This policy seeks to ensure the safe use of the school swimming pool. It acknowledges the dangers associated with the use of a swimming pool.

Policy requirements for the use of the swimming pool are as follows:

- 1. Education of the children about the dangers of the swimming pool should be carried out by the Physical Education Department at the start of every term in which the pool is used. The Sports Director is responsible for this.
- 2. A set of rules for the use of the pool should be established and displayed.
- 3. Access to the swimming pool must be controlled by the use of a locked gate. This gate should be locked if there is no adult in the swimming pool area.
- 4. There must be **two staff members** present whenever children are using the pool. This does not include Junior Masters and Mistresses.
- 5. Both staff members should have whistles.
- 6. At no time when the children are in the pool area, should a staff member be using their phone, with the exception of phoning for an ambulance in the event of an accident. They must be, at all times, focused on what is happening in the pool.
- 7. At least one staff member who is present at the pool should have completed a first aid course in which CPR and dealing with drowning has been taught. It is the responsibility of the Director of Sports to ensure that this has been done.
- 8. In the event of an incident, the following procedure should be followed:
 - a. Clear the pool of all children and they leave the pool area.
 - b. If a child is in difficulty, a rescue is affected by the staff member who is most able to swim. The 'rescue ring' should be used to avoid drowning of the rescuer.
 - c. Once the child has been removed from the pool, they should be assessed to determine if they require medical assistance.
 - d. If required, CPR should be administered and the second staff member should summon an ambulance.
 - e. In the event of **any** accident at the pool (including an incident in which a child has to be rescued but not necessarily injured) the Deputy Head should be notified and an incident report completed.
 - f. If the child is taken to hospital, the head or deputy head will communicate with the parents directly.
 - g. The head should be notified.
 - h. Any communication with the press or social media regarding an incident at the school will be handled by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees. No one else is permitted to make any communication.









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School Pool Rules

Pupils may not enter the pool area without a teacher **Gates Must be Kept Closed** No Running No Pushing or Fooling Around No Bottles or Glasses Allowed **No Screaming** Use the Toilet, Not the Pool

Three whistle blasts means GET OUT IMMEDIATELY





