

Risk Warning

(Under Section 5M of Civil Liability Act 2002)

On Behalf of IGSA and participating IGSA Member Schools listed below:

Abbotsleigh	MLC School	Santa Sabina College
Ascham School	Monte Sant' Angelo	SCEGGS Darlinghurst
Brigidine College	Mount St Benedict College	Stella Maris College
Canberra Girls Grammar	NEGS	St Catherine's School
Danebank School	OLMC Parramatta	St Patrick's College
Frensham	PLC Armidale	St Scholastica's College
Kambala	PLC Sydney	St Vincent's College
Kincoppal-Rose Bay	Pymble Ladies' College	Tangara School
Loreto Kirribilli	Queenwood	Tara
Loreto Normanhurst	Ravenswood	Wenona
Meriden School	Roseville College	

IGSA Sport Swimming and Diving Carnival 2024

The Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW trading as Independent Girls' Schools Association (**IGSA**) and its members' schools organises many individual and team sporting activities during the course of a year. Some of these are organised with IGSA Sport, a sub-committee of the Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW (AHIGS), now trading as IGSA. Students participating in these sporting activities take part in practice and in competitions.

IGSA and its members' schools expect students to take responsibility for their own safety by wearing compulsory safety equipment, by thinking carefully about the use of safety equipment that is highly recommended and by behaving in a safe and responsible manner towards team members, opponents, spectators, officials, property and grounds.

IGSA and its members' schools Sport also expect parents, spectators and other participants to behave in a safe and responsible manner, to comply with the Codes of Conduct and to set a good example for the girls.

While IGSA and its members' schools take measures to make the swimming and diving carnival as safe as reasonably possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these sporting activities, whether at training or in actual events. Parents, spectators and officials could also be injured or suffer loss.

Such injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching the swimming and diving carnival, or travelling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student's actions, the actions of others, the state of the premises or equipment failure. In particular, injury at swimming and diving carnivals may result from slipping and falling, collisions with equipment and / or other participants, exposure to water or being inadequately trained and / or prepared for the event.

On some occasions, an injury can be serious (such as torn ligaments, dislocations, back injuries, concussion or broken bones). In very rare cases an injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability. If a student has a pre-existing injury, participating in a sporting activity could result in an exacerbation of that injury.

Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

It is the responsibility of IGSA members' schools to ensure that all staff and volunteers undertaking duties at any IGSA Sport event have the required "Working with Children" clearance.

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