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WELCOME BACK



Welcome back to swimming lessons for 2026!

We are so excited to kick off a new year at GSCLTS and welcome all of our families back to the pool. Our team is looking forward to supporting our swimmers as they build confidence, develop their skills, and continue learning how to be happy and safe around the water.

Please remember that our friendly deck supervisors are always available to help, whether you have a question, need assistance before or after a lesson, or just want to check in on your child's progress. We're here to support you and your family every step of the way, so please don't hesitate to reach out at any time.

SUMMER INTENSIVE

Our Summer Intensive is starting next Monday the 12th of January and there are still spaces available!

Our 5 day intensive program offers lessons to all levels and is a great way to get a step up over the school holidays.

You are able to enroll over our ThinkSmart portal, if you have any questions regarding the intensive please send our admin team an email.

FOOD & DRINK

Just a friendly reminder to all families: please refrain from bringing food or drinks onto the pool deck, with the exception of water. This helps us keep the pool area safe, clean, and enjoyable for everyone, and ensures our swimmers stay focused during lessons.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

GSCLTS will be closed on the following public holidays in Term 1:

- Australia Day – Monday 26 January
- Labour Day – Monday 9 March

If your child's lesson falls on either of these dates, you won't be charged.

SAFETY WEEK

Due to early closures, some lessons were missed in 2025 - 13th & 14th December. To ensure children don't miss out on this important part of the curriculum, we will be running Safety Week in Week 1 of this term for lessons that fall on these days. Children are welcome to attend these sessions if they are enrolled on the affected days.





SUMMER WATER SAFETY TIPS

As we enjoy the warmer weather, we'd like to remind families of a few important water safety tips to help keep everyone safe this summer:

- Always supervise children around water; active, close supervision is key, even for strong swimmers.
- Designate a "water watcher" when at pools, beaches, or gatherings, even if a lifeguard is present.
- Ensure pool fences and gates are secure and self-closing at home and when visiting others.
- Teach children basic water safety rules, such as no running near pools and always entering feet first unless supervised.
- Use appropriate flotation devices when needed, but remember these are not a substitute for supervision.
- Apply sunscreen and encourage regular water breaks to avoid fatigue, dehydration, and overheating.
- At the beach, swim between the red and yellow flags and follow lifeguard instructions at all times.

DIRECT DEBIT DATES

Please note our direct debit dates for 2026

- 5th January
- 2nd February
- 2nd March
- 30th March
- 27th April
- 25th May
- 22nd June
- 20th July
- 17th August
- 14th September
- 12th October
- 9th November
- 7th December

Debits are processed every 4 weeks on a Monday. A reminder email will be sent 4 days prior to each debit date.

If a debit fails, it will be automatically rescheduled.

Thank you for keeping your payment details up to date and for your continued support!

