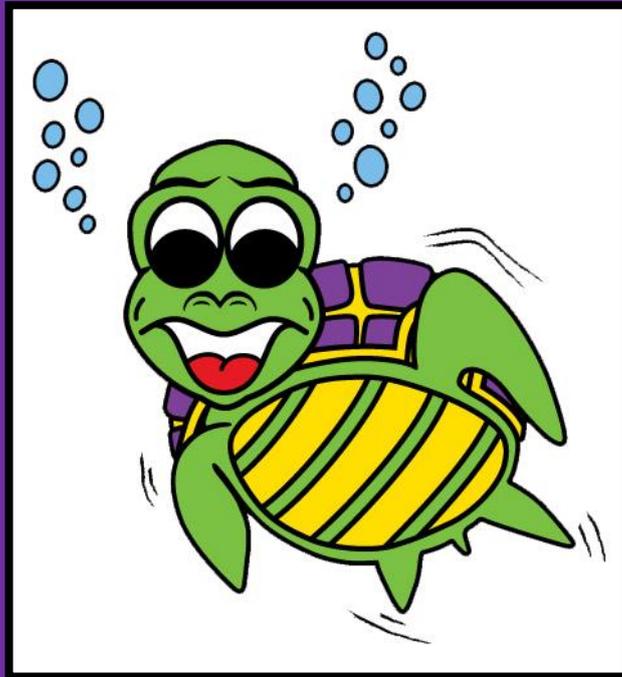


Sue Mickelson Swimming

Reopening Guide for Parents



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SMS REOPENING

Sue Mickelson Swimming will reopen for lessons from August 31st (Monday) 2020.

ALL PARENTS / GUARDIANS MUST READ THIS DOCUMENT before they arrive on site for their child's swimming lesson. Parents / guardians must comply with the SMS COVID-19 Safe Plan (detailed further in document.)

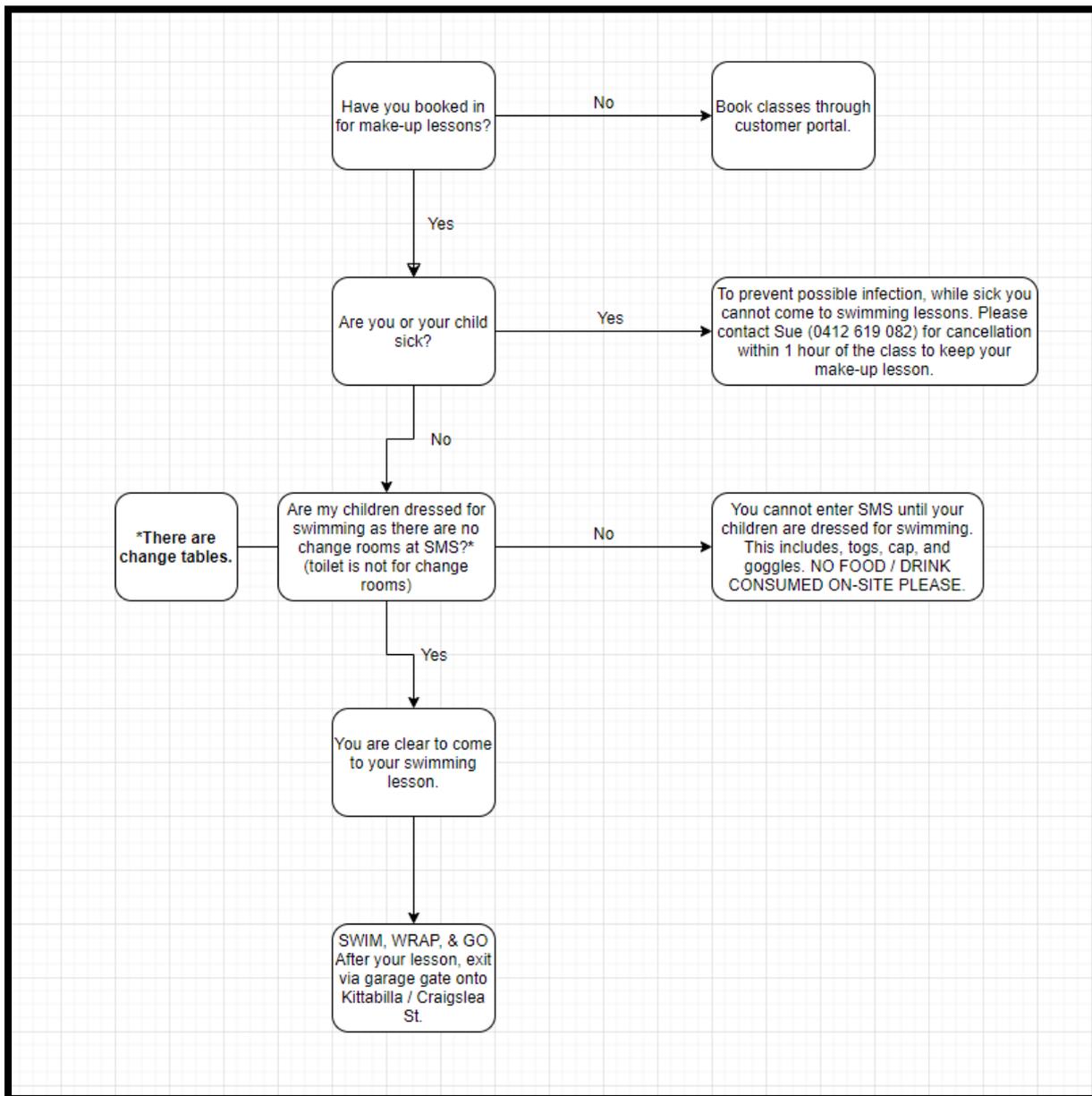
BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On March 11th, 2020, the World Health Organisation declared novel coronavirus (COVID-19) a pandemic. Under the direction of federal government, Swim Australia and Swimming Queensland, Queensland-based swimming schools closed. On March 23rd, Sue Mickelson Swimming self-closed to prevent the potential spread of infection to its staff and clients. All swimming schools were closed as of March 25th.

WE ARE LEGALLY ALLOWED TO REOPEN

Since March 23rd, federal and state governments have released their roadmap for easing of restrictions plans. This includes the plan "An exemption exists for primary and secondary schools in relation to swimming pools as per the Non-Essential Business, Activity and Undertaking Closure Direction (No. 10)". Through this, SMS pools will be allowed to operate within a limited capacity under the stage 3 guidelines.

SMS LESSON ATTENDANCE GUIDE



SMS COVID-19 SAFE PLAN

The SMS COVID-19 Safe Plan is an evolving set of procedures conducted by Sue Mickelson Swimming to reduce the risk of coronavirus infection at the Home Pool and Geebung Pool locations. The purpose of the SMS COVID-19 Safe Plan is to ensure that the children, parents, and staff of SMS are safe from coronavirus infection while at either pool.

All SMS staff have completed the Qld Government COVID 19 training program and will adhere to the SMS COVID-19 Safe Plan.

FACILITY CHANGES

Anyone (including swimmers, parents, and staff) who enters any SMS premises must comply to a temperature scan if requested. This scan will be conducted by a thermometer so there will be no physical contact or breach of 1.5m social distancing. Temperatures will be recorded for the sole purpose of preventing the spread of COVID-19 by early detection of a high temperature. Your records will be kept for a minimum of 56 days (8 weeks) as per the requirements of the Swimming Pool and Aquatic Centre Industry COVIDSafe Plan.

- Hand sanitizer stations located at and around each accessible area throughout SMS.
- Disinfected waiting areas (including chairs.)
- Reduced downstairs access.
- Limited toilet / change room use (detailed further below.)
- Disinfected equipment between lessons.
- Reduced class numbers (depending on level.)
- Parking changes (map further below.)

OUR EXPECTATIONS

1. We have a zero tolerance policy for swimmers / parents / guardians / staff who begin to repeatedly cough / sneeze FOR ANY REASON. They will be asked to leave the swimming location.
2. Swimmers MUST arrive dressed ready to swim.
3. Shoes must be worn on arrival and departure.
4. If you or your child feel sick in anyway, DO NOT COME TO SWIMMING. As stated above, you will be asked to leave.
5. Social distancing (1.5m per person) to be practiced by everyone.
6. Lesson times will be strictly adhered to. For this reason, please arrive on time to get the most out of your lesson.
7. Staff will strictly monitor entry and exit to pool areas, including the disinfection of gates.
8. Calling in sick –you must call / email / text at least **1 HOUR** before your lesson or your make-up lesson will become void.
9. In any case where a child, parent / guardian, or staff who has been at a SMS pool is tested positive for coronavirus, they must contact Sue Mickelson ASAP (0412 619 082.) SMS will then alert the families who would've been in contact in order to reduce the risk of infection. These families will need to be tested for coronavirus before they are allowed to return to either SMS premises as per Queensland Government Health Regulations (<https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/protect-yourself-others/coronavirus-prevention>).

SOCIAL DISTANCING INSIDE THE POOL

Social distancing within the pool must be practiced wherever possible. There is no evidence that coronavirus spreads through pool water contact (this does not mean your child can cough and sneeze into the pool.)

- Social distancing between adults will be strictly adhered to (staff to staff, staff to parent, etc.)
- Lesson plans will focus more on demonstrating techniques wherever possible to avoid physical contact.
- Activities and games are strictly now non-contact and won't share equipment (e.g. no throwing ball games, no group mat activities, etc.)
- Independent swimmers (dolphins and above) will require none to minimal physical contact.
- Younger swimmers (guppy to snapper) will receive physical contact where required, mainly for their own safety in the water. Lesson plans are being altered to minimize the need for physical contact while maintaining the high standard SMS prides itself on.
- IF a child needs immediate support or is in danger (e.g. drowning), staff are instructed to breach social distancing to ensure the child's safety.

SWIM, WRAP, AND GO POLICY

As a part of the SMS COVID-19 Safe Plan, parents / guardians will be required to follow a new “Swim, Wrap, and Go” policy. The purpose of this policy is to reduce the risk of coronavirus infection by ordering the process in which families enter and leave the SMS swimming facilities.

1. Arrive to SMS ready to swim: swimmers / togs / cap / goggles on. Toilet use is limited so make sure child has already gone to the bathroom before arriving where possible.
2. Follow and adhere to the signs and direction of the SMS staff. This will take you from the Buran St pool entrance, through to your child’s swimming lesson.
3. Once your child’s swimming lessons are complete, you must leave the SMS facility immediately. No one is to be changed inside the bathroom.

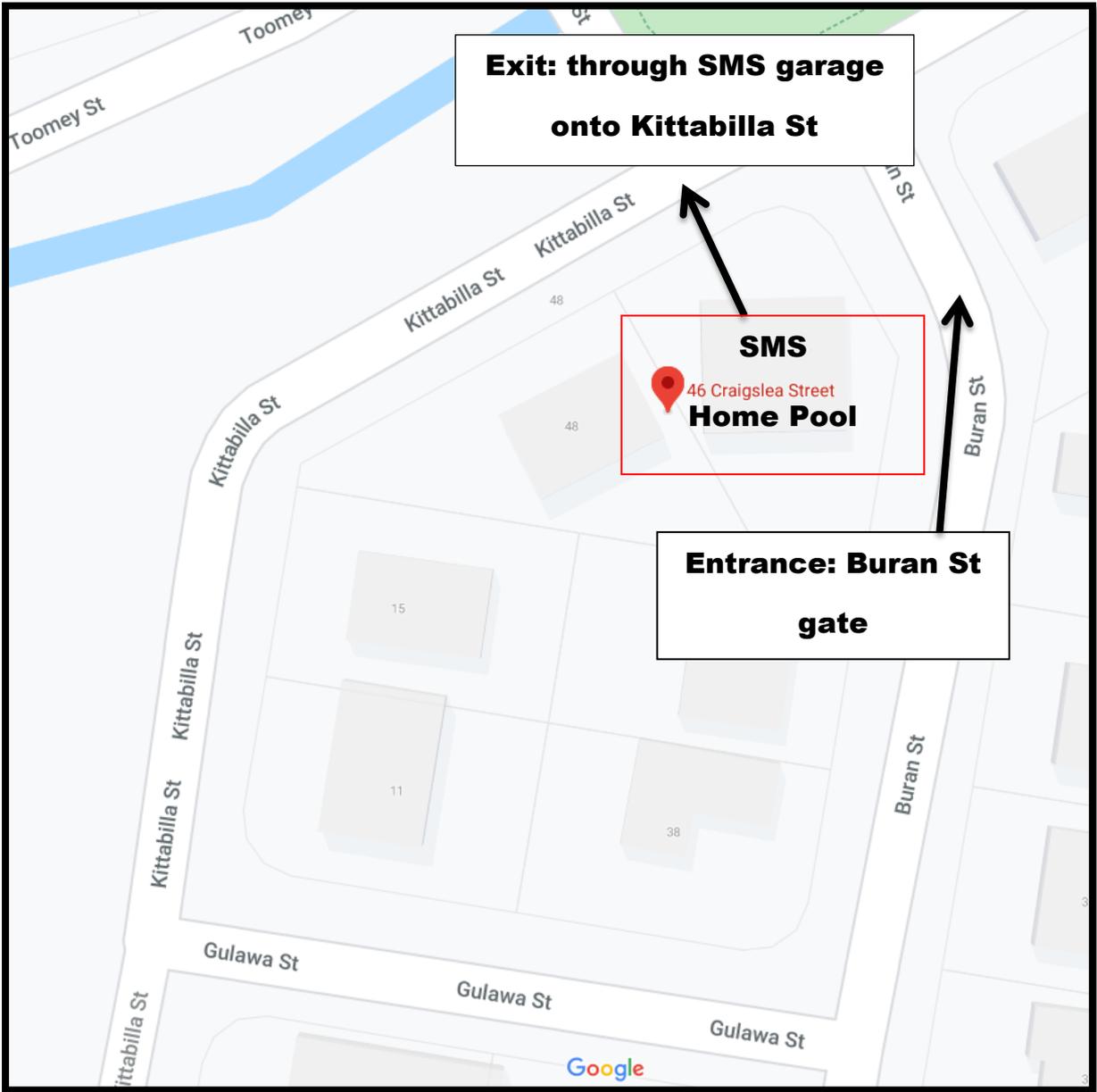
UPDATED PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Address: 46 Craigslea St Chermside West

Access into facilities: Buran St fence gate

Exit from facilities: exit SMS via garage onto Kittabilla / Craigslea St

- New no-parking yellow line on Buran St corner.
- Disabled / pram parking on Buran St.
- Do not park opposite a driveway.
- No parking in driveway.
- Be mindful of neighbours.



COVIDSAFE APP

SMS encourages parents and guardians to download the COVIDSafe App to help combat the overall fight against the pandemic. Early detection and awareness are key to reducing active cases from spreading.

