

# Water confidence boost

ALL year 7 and 8 students at Chatham High had the opportunity to improve their water confidence last week thanks to the school's P&C.

The P&C fully funded a week-long swim program at the Manning Aquatic Centre, supervised by the school's PDHPE staff.

Teacher Jenny Fotheringham said students from years 7 and 8 were divided into ability levels and worked on learn to swim basics, stroke correction and lifesaving techniques (from the Royal Lifesaving Society Swim Awards). Some of the accomplished swimmers also worked towards their bronze medallions.

Mrs Fotheringham said without the P&C funding, many of the students would not have been able to participate because of the costs involved.

"We're hoping to improve swimming skills so more students will feel confident enough to participate in swimmings carnivals," she said.

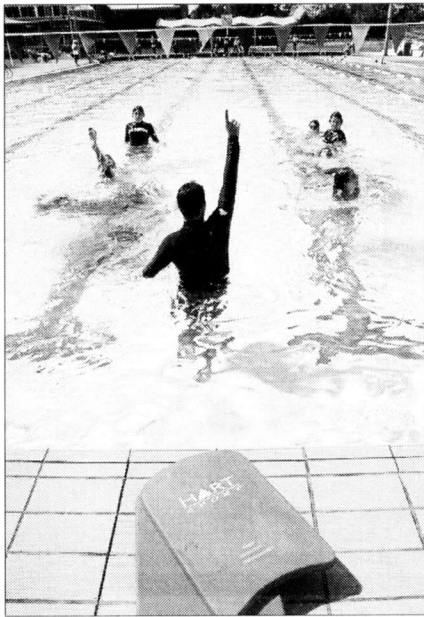


Chatham High's Blake Hunt takes a breather during the school's week-long swim program at Manning Aquatic Leisure Centre.



Blake Smith and Tristan Reeves.

## SCHOOL AWARDS coming soon



Simon Gay and students in the pool.