Cowes Primary School students Matilda Grace, Hannah Simmons, Jorja Newman and Daniella Mascaro were first in the Under 11 girls’ 50 metre freestyle relay at the Gippsland Swimming carnival, held at Sale last week. The girls will now contest the State finals to be held at MSAC next month.

NINE students from Cowes Primary School travelled to Sale swimming pool to participate in the regional Gippsland Swimming Carnival on Thursday, March 17.

Five of these students duelled in the pool in individual events with Hannah Simmons and Ry Cleven racing two events each and Jack Ruther, Matilda Grace and Jorja Newman all swimming one event each.

Cowes competed in three relay events.

The girls and boys open medley relay teams did an amazing job coming sixth and seventh respectively.

The 11 year old girls’ 4 x 50 metre freestyle relay came first by an outstanding 14 seconds to their nearest rival.

The team consisted of Jorja Newman, Daniella Mascaro, Matilda Grace and Hannah Simmons. These girls will contest the State finals at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC), on Tuesday, April 19.