



Wednesday 20th May 2020

Return to School

Dear Parents and Carers,

All NSW public schools are returning to full on-campus learning from **Monday 25th May**. NSW Public Schools are safe, clean and secure places for students and staff. All school activities and operations are in line with AHPPC guidelines and NSW Health advice.

ATTENDANCE

All students are expected back at school unless:

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition, or;
- they are currently unwell.

Students who have a medical certificate to stay at home will be supported to learn from home in line with regular procedures. These regular procedures are different to what was offered during the learning from home period. If you require work to be provided to your child whilst they at home due to an underlying health condition, please contact the school as soon as possible.

Please note, students who live with a family member who is at increased risk, should attend school unless a medical practitioner advises otherwise in writing.

If your child is unwell, do not send them to school. If they are unwell at school, you or your nominated emergency contact will need to collect them immediately. Please ensure your contact details provided to the school are up to date.

If a student is absent without a medical reason for more than three days, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and you will be contacted by the school.

Please contact the school, if you require support to get your child back to school.

TECH DEVICES

Families who borrowed a device from the school will need to return equipment on Monday morning. Please return borrowed equipment to the library from 8.10am.

SAFETY AND HYGIENE

Physical distancing of children in schools is not required by the latest AHPPC guidelines. Research has shown limited transmission risk associated with school children in the school environment.

Physical distancing requirements remain for adults. All adults must maintain physical distance from each other including teachers, support staff and parents.

Keep yourself and others safe by:

- Washing your hands regularly and thoroughly
- Sneezing and coughing into your elbow
- Staying home if you are unwell

There are a number of restrictions which will continue:

- No assemblies
- No excursions
- No inter-school activities
- No in-school activities requiring parent helpers or volunteers
- No water bubblers

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day.

CLEAN SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

NSW public schools are regularly and professionally cleaned. Enhanced cleaning is being implemented across all NSW public schools. Schools are being sent additional provisions of soap and hygiene supplies, such as hand sanitiser. In addition to the school's regular cleaning, the following practices are currently in place:

- enhanced cleaning through the day involving more extensive and frequent cleaning
- high touch surfaces, such as railings and door handles, cleaned throughout the day
- bathrooms cleaned after each break time

KISS AND DROP

Parents, carers and other family members are encouraged to 'kiss and drop' at the school gate in the morning and avoid entering the school grounds. Wherever possible, we ask that students are collected outside the school gates for afternoon pickup. This is to reduce the number of adults on site. All adults are required to maintain social distancing of 1.5 metres.

RESPONDING TO COVID-19 CASES

There is a clear plan in place for the school to respond to any suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our schools. The Department of Education is working closely with NSW Health and will communicate with parents if a situation was to arise.

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Principal