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## COVID-19 School Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

Based on the most recent advice from the Department of Education, Lake Illawarra South Public School is making preparations for learning from home. The school remains open for the students of families that need it, although families are encouraged to keep their children at home. There will be minimal staff supervision at school.

Lake Illawarra South Public School will be providing a single unit of work which will be completed at home or school. These activities are related directly to the usual teaching and learning program that would be delivered in the classroom. Naturally, there will be some modifications to the learning program to accommodate learning from home. The school is preparing for following three circumstances:

- 1. Student attends school
- 2. At Home Learning access to Internet and a device (online learning)
- 3. At Home Learning no access to **either** Internet or a device (learning pack required)

Learning From Home packs can be accessed either from the school website on the *Learning From Home* tab, Google Classroom (Yrs 3-6 only) or can be collected from the school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July between 2.00pm and 4.00pm or Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 8.30am to 10.30am from the front of the school. Please do not exit your vehicle. A staff member will hand you an envelope with the learning pack activities.

## Years 3 to 6

Instructions for access, usernames and passwords will be emailed to family mothers' or family fathers' email address as provided to the school. Please bear with us as this is a monumental and time-consuming task.

- Log onto to the Department of Education Student Portal.
- Join your child's Google Classroom.
- A plan of activities will be available for the first week of term. This will be available from 8.40am Tuesday morning.

In addition to remote learning, Public Health Orders introduced during the school holidays require any visitors to use the QR codes to check in and out of school premises.

Any student with any symptoms, or who is feeling unwell, should not attend school and should take a COVID test immediately. Anyone who has been off sick from school will be required to return a negative COVID test before being permitted to return to school. Students who have attended any venue of concern identified by NSW Health should follow NSW Health advice.

The provision of education is an essential service for our students. Our priority is to make sure we have COVIDsafe arrangements in place to support our students and staff. Hygiene supplies, including extra masks, are in the process of being issued to all schools and will continue to be provided as needed.

Further information will be provided to parents over the coming days.

Thank you for your understanding and support.