



RETURN TO SCHOOL – Preps, Grades 1 and 2

Dear Parents/Guardians

It is with much pleasure and excitement that we can announce the return to school for some of our students. Please see below for our 'return to school' details:

- Monday 25th May** – CURRICULUM DAY for all staff – NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL for that day
- Tuesday 26th May** – School recommences for **Preps, Grades 1 and Grades 2**
- All students** in those year levels **must return to school**
– unless previously discussed with the Principal or Assistant Principal
- On-site attendance** may still be requested for Grades 3-6 students **who are unable to be supervised at home. Please apply on-line.**
- All being well, **Grades 3-6** will return to school on **Tuesday 9th June (following the Queen's Birthday Long weekend)** This will be determined by the Chief Health Minister and Premier.



DROP OFF and PICK UP TIMES – please note yellow highlighted areas

- School times** will remain the same as normal **Arrival: 8.45 am** **Departure: 3.20pm**
Bus Travellers will enter via the front gates and move to the netball court area.
- School crossings** will be operational and all traffic safety rules apply
- Parents/carers are NOT permitted to enter the school grounds at any time**
-unless pre-arranged and confirmed with Administration
- Students are to enter and depart from gates **with school crossings only** (not via the oval).
There are no specific gates for grade level entry. Teachers will be supervising at each gate.
- Once in the school grounds, **all P-2** students are to **remain in the netball court/playground areas** until collected by their teacher from their normal line-up areas.
Prep teachers and other staff members will be in the playground to assist students with their re-entry to will.
- In accordance with Health Department regulations, parents/carers are NOT permitted to remain at gateways and must strictly follow physical distancing requirements and remain 1.5m apart.**



To assist staff, please quickly say 'good-bye' and move back to your car – thank you.

- Due to Health Regulations, **PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY TOYS /GAMES/ITEMS FROM HOME**

SCHOOL CONTACT

- Parents/carers are requested to contact the Office by phone – **53581255 or Xuno** if attendance within the school is required, or if contact with a teacher is needed
- All **student absences** must still be reported to the Office **by phone or Xuno message by 9.15am**

STUDENTS MUST NOT ATTEND SCHOOL IF THEY ARE ILL – please check with us if you are unsure

THE SCHOOL DAY

*** School Uniform must now be worn by ALL students P-6 on-site**

- It is very important to note that whilst we are returning to school – **that this may look a little different to the past.**
- Our priority is **to help students to re-adjust back to school** after such a long period of absence – for this reason, **school may be a little different to pre COVID.** (although, students may not think so 😊)
- Teachers will be revisiting many things** that are normally covered at the start of the year including:
 - **Expectations for:** school work, classroom participation, behaviour, working with others, etc
 - **502 P.R.I.D.E** and what each of our Values looks like (including earning of PRIDE Dollars)
 - **Re-establishing** friendships, working groups, etc
 - **G.E.M.** – practising gratefulness, empathy/kindness and mindfulness
- Prep-2 students** will return to their **normal classrooms**
- Specialist classes for Art, PE and Chinese** will be taken in the designated Specialist rooms
- On-site supervision classrooms – **Grade 3-4: Jackie's room** **Grade 5-6: Scott's room**
-this will be until June 9th, then all 3-6 students will return to their normal classrooms
- School class times and break times** will remain the same for **all students**

- Students **do not need to physical distance** (but adults do)
- Students will be **able to use the playgrounds** (hand sanitising will be located at each area)
- Students are **NOT to use the bubble taps** – need to bring their **own water bottle**
- Students are **NOT to share food or drink bottles**
- Sharing of all equipment will be discouraged when possible** (sanitising of equipment will happen)
- HAND WASHING AND HAND SANITISING PRACTICES WILL BE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED AT ALL TIMES**



COMPUTERS

Thank you for caring for our school computers whilst you have been borrowing them.

- Please return your computer and charger to school – on the day you return
- Please ensure **computers are charged**, ready for use on this day
- Teachers will **check computers for damage**
- All computers will be **cleaned**
- Computers will then remain at school** (unless otherwise notified)



CANTEEN and BREAKFAST CLUB

- The **canteen** will re-commence operation on **THURSDAY 11TH JUNE (Week 9)**
- Canteen Volunteers will need to observe social distancing requirements**
- Breakfast Club** will not recommence yet – breakfast items will be available if needed



CLEANING PRACTICES

- Strict hygiene practices** will continue to be encouraged including:

- Regular hand washing
- Hand sanitising
- Cleaning of shared equipment
- Reminders of all COVID19 expectations



- Twice daily cleaning** will continue for **all rooms used by students** (including Specialist rooms) (this includes the lunchtime cleaning of high use 'touch points' and toilets)



SCHOOL REPORTS



- At the end of this Term, all students will receive a **Semester 1 Report**
- It will be **very different to any previous Reports** – it will be **brief** and will only focus on the following areas as requested by the Education Department:
 1. A comment summarising **what curriculum has been covered** this Semester for **English and Maths**
 2. A succinct comment of student learning in regard to their remote learning opportunities. This will be based on the **Personal and Social Capability** curriculum.
 3. **No A-E assessment** will be given for each subject area. (no dots)
You may see **N/A meaning Not Assessed**
- In Term 3 there will be an opportunity for **parent-teacher interviews** (which could also be conducted over Webex if needed).
Once students are settled back at school and are completing their classroom learning again, a more accurate assessment of learning levels can continue.
- The **end of year Reports** will accurately reflect students' achievement levels.

STAYING AT HOME

- Just a reminder that if you are choosing to keep your children at home once school returns, **we are unable to provide remote learning.**
- The exception to this is you have a **Drs Certificate** stating that there is a medical reason why your child/ren cannot attend school.
This must be given to the Office.

So as we count down the days to school returning (even though we need to wait a bit longer for 3-6) I want to sincerely thank each and every one of you for the incredible work that you have done in making remote learning work so well. There are many positives to be taken from this.

All the staff are excited about returning to school and continuing to do what they love doing- that is of course, **educating your children.**

Amongst all the excitement we also know that there will be some tears, some anxiety and some hardship. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any assistance or support. We are all here to help you. Mr Lewis, our Chaplain, will continue to be available for students and parents.

So until Tuesday - enjoy your last few days together at home.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Robyn Jones

- on behalf of everyone at 502 ☺