

17th July, 2020.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We all realise that we are at the forefront of a significant health crisis. Its impact on our families, our children and community is wide spread. I know that you respect and appreciate our wonderful teachers. They will continue to do everything they can to support your child's learning; however, I must say to you that health and wellbeing is the most critical factor as all Victorians travel through this dangerous and challenging time.

We all know that the safest place for your precious child/ren is at home with you. We understand that there are those who will need support. However, I ask you to consider all possible options before you choose **on-site attendance**. Investigating leave options, using a variety of child minding methods, reducing or modifying work hours or working from home.

We do have an increase in the number of families eligible and needing children supervised on-site. This may impact on the program we are able to offer here. Staff supervising these students will also be teaching their own classes remotely, so a modified program may need to be offered on some days. Scheduled Google Meets may not be able to be attended at the correct time and network limitations may also impact. However, you know that we will do our very best.

Please see below:

1. Information for those using on-site support:

1. Student will be working within the TLC (senior building).
2. There will be a sign indicating which door each year level is to enter. Children will have their temperature checked and hands sanitized on arrival. Preps, year 1s, 5s and 6s will be at the year 6 end (west) of the TLC, and year 2s, 3s and 4s will be at year 5 end (east) classroom spaces.
3. Parents are requested to enter the grounds from 8.45 am when doors will be open for the students. Please see the map which shows the entry doors which will enable us to ensure everyone has had the temperature taken.
4. Please be respectful, socially distance, do not enter the classrooms and leave the school grounds as soon as possible.
5. Please let your child know what it looks like on-site: a range of children from Prep to 6, potentially mixed year levels; different teachers supervising each day and they may or may not see their own class teacher during the week; restricted play areas; working through the remote learning developed by their class teacher but possibly modified. On-site is definitely different to the normal school arrangements. However, we will definitely support them as much as possible, mindful that we are looking after your children and their wellbeing.
6. Students will require their book packs on the days they attend. Please ensure they have water bottles.

7. Students will be dismissed at 3.30 pm from the same entry door so please make arrangements to meet them at a reasonable distance within the school grounds.

2. Remote learning:

1. Teachers have prepared book packs and relevant packages for you to collect. If you were unable to do this today, please call the office on Monday to arrange a time. I remind you that no more than two people can be in the office area at any one time.
2. Teachers will view your child's uploaded work on either SeeSaw or Google Classroom but will only provide specific feedback on one curriculum area each day.
3. While we know that those students who engaged in all activities in the remote learning last term have shown considerable improvement, we also understand that some days may be more challenging than others. On those days at least try to join the Google Meets and complete one activity. Students who have not engaged in any way for two days or whose parents have not spoken with the teacher, will be marked absent. If this is the case and we have not heard from you, your child's teacher will contact you on the third day and our schools' leadership will be notified.

I sincerely trust that we will be able to work through this together. Please stay safe and well and know that we are here to assist.

Regards Julie.