

20th April 2020

Dear parents/carers

I am writing to you during the school holidays to let you know about the arrangements for our school for Term 2 and what it will mean for you and your children.

These are unprecedented times and therefore, we will need to do some things differently in schools over the coming weeks, to maintain learning and to keep your children and our staff safe.

I understand this may be an uncertain and difficult period for you and your family. That is why the State Government has given parents a choice about whether their children return to school for face-to-face teaching or learn from home.

It is a personal decision influenced by each family's circumstances. If parents don't feel comfortable sending their kids to school, for whatever reason they will not be obligated to do so.

To assist with your decision making, please note the following:

- Monday 27 April is a public holiday;
- Tuesday 28 April will be a pupil free day. There will be no students at school as staff will be using this day for preparation;
- From Wednesday 29 April, school is open for all students whose parents/carers choose to send them;
- Students who attend school will be taught a face-to-face program and timetable;
- For those children learning from home, this will be through online or hard copy packages provided to you from school. Details of how to undertake and return the work will accompany the packages; **please contact your classroom teacher on SEESAW by Friday the 24th if you are not sending your child to school.** This way I can plan to support both my staff and your child in the best way possible in very trying circumstances.
- For those students who are learning from home, contact by school will be made each week by phone and/or online;
- **Parents are asked to drop their child/children at the school gate, please do not enter the school grounds.**

We will provide further information on how our school will manage this situation, ahead of school beginning on Wednesday 29 April.

These arrangements will be in place and reviewed ahead of Week 4 commencing 18 May. As always, State Government decisions will be based on the best health advice.

We want all families and children to feel supported and informed during this time. I thank you for your partnership as we navigate this together.

Kind regards

Bea Bouska
Principal