



Tuesday, August 10, 2021

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you for your support for our school community during the latest lockdown.

The work that we have done together over the past week, minimising movement, returning to remote learning, wearing masks, and getting tested has meant that the Chief Health Officer has [lifted the lockdown in the 11 Local Government Areas](#).

This is great news and from Tuesday 10 August 2021 our school will welcome back all students and staff.

Whilst this is welcome news, we will need to implement additional restrictions to minimise transmission and further protect the health and safety of our school community. These additional restrictions will include wearing of masks on school sites for all adults and students 12 years of age and above. We will also need to limit parents, carers, and other visitors on school sites unless necessary.

In accordance with our Health Ministers guidelines, it is essential that every high school aged student and all school staff are wearing masks throughout the school day for a period of two weeks.

Our greatest defence against the Delta strain, which will keep us out of lockdown or worse school closure, is reducing contact between students and staff within the school environment. I will be enforcing this government direction and ask you to support this message with your children at home.

I know you and your children will work with us to uphold the important safety measures in place throughout the school, reducing the risk of contagion.

Safety Measures

- All staff and students MUST wear masks during the school day unless there is a lawful reason why they should not
- Clear hygiene regulations will be in place, including using hand sanitiser entering and leaving classrooms.
- Students are expected to wash their hands regularly and respect the maintenance of hygiene resources
- If your child is unwell, they must remain home until their symptoms subside (it is recommended that if students are exhibiting flu like symptoms, you arrange for them to be tested at your earliest convenience)
- If you or your family have been in contact with a possible COVID case, you will need to advise the school urgently

If you have concerns with any of these measures, please contact the school before 9:00am on 3380 4111 to discuss with us.

Warm Regards,

Sharon Amos
Principal
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