



Monday, 2 August 2021

Dear Park Ridge families,

You would by now have heard the news from our government that the lockdown will continue until Sunday of this week. I appreciate you supporting our school in managing this situation while continuing to provide learning for every child.

We are confident that we will be able to provide on-line learning for our students as of tomorrow, Tuesday August 3, 2021. The planning day, today, has been invaluable in ensuring this start date. To reduce that amount of emails coming to you, we have asked our year coordinators to be the main source of information to families and to provide learning updates. An email will come from them today to give you more information in relation to on-line learning and engagement.

For families of essential workers, students on site will be placed into adapted classrooms, but will be taught by their teacher on-line. No direct learning will happen while in lockdown. Students will always need to wear masks and adhere to strict behaviour protocols. There will be no canteen for the week so please ensure your child has food to bring to school. Students will not be permitted to go across the road to the shops or have take-away delivered.

We have just received information from the Director General of Education Queensland asking us to reduce the number of teachers on site as of Wednesday. This will mean very limited supervision of students at school. If you can keep your child home, please do so. With growing numbers of cases increasing in Brisbane, it is essential that we minimise movement and contact.

You would have received an unexplained absence text in error this morning. Unfortunately, generated messages take some time to stop when routines change. My apologies for any extra stress this text may have caused you. You will receive, in place of that text, a confirmation text indicating if your child is engaging in on-line learning. Your child will need to follow the registry process to ensure they are registering their attendance in the on-line platforms. This process is in place to ensure that you are being informed of your child's engagement levels or need for support.

Thank you again for your ongoing support during these difficult times, we look forward to working with you. I hope that you and your family and friends are safe and supported.

Warm Regards,

Sharon Amos
Principal
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