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Week 1 - Term 2, 28 April 2020 COVID - 19 Update

Dear parents/carers,

Thank you so much for your continued support during this challenging time.

I am writing to you to provide information regarding tomorrow's start to Term 2. Some of this information you would have already received, some is new given the government's recent announcements.

As we know, these are unprecedented times and therefore, we will need to do some things differently at school over the coming weeks, to maintain learning and to keep your children and our staff safe.

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

- From Wednesday 29 April, school is open for students whose parents/carers choose to send them;
- Students engaging in home supported learning, with access to the appropriate technologies will do so through Seesaw;
- Photocopied work packages based on the Seesaw home supported learning program will be available for those without the appropriate technology at home;
- Students who attend school will be taught a face-to-face program based on the Seesaw home supported learning program developed by staff at the end of Term 1 for all students;
- For those students who are learning from home, contact by school will be made each week by phone.

Drop-off and Pick-up

Parents/Carers must drop-off and pick-up their child/children at the school gate, please do not enter the school grounds. The following gates will be open for entry:

- Kiss and Drop,
- The main administration gate on Dandaragan Drive,

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- The Early Childhood gate on Moora Close, and
- The Block 3 gate near the oval clubrooms

Gates will be open from 8.20am each morning. There will be staff stationed at each gate and at Kiss and Drop. Please do not drop children off before this time.

Teachers and Classrooms

On Wednesday morning students will go to their usual classroom at 8.30am. They will then be organised into Year Level groups and assigned interim classrooms and teachers. Teachers across the state are not expected to teach face-to-face and deliver Home Supported Learning at the same time, therefore please do not expect that your child will have their usual teacher at school or on-line at this time. Classes will return to normal when school returns to normal.

Playgrounds

All climbing playgrounds will remain out of bounds before, during and after school as there are height restrictions on the cleaning of such structures. Cleaners will work throughout the day to ensure all high-use areas such as benchtops, desks, doorknobs, taps and hand rails and play equipment are regularly cleaned and surfaces disinfected.

Social Distancing

Schools cannot ensure the social distancing requirements for students that are applied to the general community. Those students who require manual handling, who are unable to regulate physical contact with others, and/or behave in a way that could cause potential risk to self and others, will be managed according to our Behaviour Education Policy. You can help by re-enforcing the "hands and feet to yourself" message with your children.

Students who are Unwell

Students who are unwell must remain at home. Students who present as unwell at school will be sent home.

Drink Bottles

Please ensure that your child/ren have a water bottle at school each day so they are not drinking directly from water fountains.

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

As you are aware, things have been changing at a rapid rate. We will continue to provide updates as they become available.

Regards,

Dean Finlay
Principal