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COVID19 Advice for Families – Update

Dear Families

Today the Department of Education have updated their COVID-19 guidelines for how schools can operate for the remainder of the term. I have summarised the essential information for you below:

Attendance

- All students should be learning onsite unless they are unwell or have a medical certificate to support their absence.
- Students with flu like symptoms should be tested for COVID-19 and parents should notify the school of the results. Any student presenting with flu like symptoms at school will have arrangements made to be sent home.

Hygiene, cleaning and physical distancing

- Schools are not required to conduct wide ranging temperature checks nor is there a requirement for anyone to wear a mask on our site.
- Our school will continue to implement enhanced cleaning and hygiene measures. These have been communicated previously.
- Physical distancing is not required by students and will not be enforced by our staff.
- Physical distancing remains essential for our staff and as such we are limiting the number of adults we have in our spaces at any one time.

Entry to our school site

- Non-essential adults (this includes all parents and carers) are not permitted on school grounds unless they have prior approval from myself.
- External providers (e.g. speech therapists etc.) must demonstrate compliance with guidelines before entering the site.
- Our current drop off and pick up procedures will remain in place for the foreseeable future.

Updates on school activities

- Disappointingly, choir and Didge group are now suspended.
- School sport is restricted to our local community area.
- Kindergarten transition is still on hold. Alternative arrangements are being made.
- The Year 6 Farewell is under review for Term 4.
- Scripture can now go ahead in small groups.
- Parent/teacher meetings should be held online or via phone.
- School assemblies are limited to 15 minutes.

I will update you as the advice changes throughout the term. Thank you for patience and cooperation as we work through this challenging situation together. All the latest advice can be found at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>

Kind regards
Mr Forbes
Principal

